

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

TRACTORS FOR CHINA: HK REACTION

Those Tractors

NEWS that the British Government has — at last — granted licences for the export of 60 tractors to China will be well received in this Colony — though as leading businessmen point out it is something that should have been done long ago. The point that one businessman makes that the orders are only samples must dampen any satisfaction our hard-pressed traders may feel at the prospect of increased trade between Britain and China.

Thus the Colony should jump to no hasty conclusions. As far as the tractors are concerned they have to be sold first, then tested for suitability on Chinese farms. And only if a big order is received as a result, and the necessary licences granted without further delay can there be any real justification for feeling that trade prospects are changing for the better.

It will come as a surprise to many that the British Government is only just beginning to give licences for samples when the goods involved, though "strategic", are not actually banned. If this procedure is necessary for every item British manufacturers hope to sell to China as the restrictions are eased, it is going to take some time to get these exports on the move.

It is hard to understand why some thought was not given to this position long ago — especially as "others have done it." It is surely paramount for Britain which is hard pressed by German and Japanese competition in world markets not to lag behind its rivals. And the history of Sino-Western trade in the last 60 years shows that initiative has always paid — particularly as far as Germany and Japan are concerned.

One can only imagine that Britain's loyalty to and respect for international obligations and her policy of sticking to the strict letter of the embargo agreements have resulted in this extremely cautious approach, where other governments have been a little more imaginative, but hardly less prudent, in preparing themselves for the obvious opportunities ahead.

Considering Britain's position as one of the leading members of the Western alliance its attitude is not all together unreasonable. Criticism may be tempered by this fact, but with a little realistic thinking a few months ago it might have given its hard-pressed manufacturers a start they so badly need in the race to develop new markets.

ANOTHER Hong Kong businessman points out that unless Britain begins exporting certain goods to China now there is a danger that items like tractors will be permanently excluded because of China's reliance on proven markets in Russia and the satellites. The point that could have been made too, is that the lopsided Western attitude to trade with Communist countries in general is actually helping to confirm the unfortunate trade pattern.

For the embargo on Russia and Eastern European Communist countries is less stringent than the one on China. This means that Eastern European countries can export some lines of vitally needed developmental equipment to China in the knowledge that if necessary they can replace any resulting deficiency in these goods with imports from the West. This is a ridiculous state of affairs and it is only one of many reasons why the China Committee has to make a decision quickly to adjust the disparity in the Western policies to trade with Communist countries.

Tardy Step But A Good Thing BUSINESSMEN'S OPINIONS

A leading Hong Kong businessman today described the British Government's decision to grant licences for the export of 60 tractors to Communist China as a "tardy step" and "breathlessly late — as usual".

He said the licences — which were only for samples — should have been issued "ages ago". "As these tractors are just a sample order, they still have to be tested on farms in China to see if they are suitable," he said.

He said the British Government should have issued licences for sample orders much earlier. "Others have done it. It seems to me to be an elementary step."

However, he described the decision as "a step in the right direction."

It is understood that three groups applied for and were granted licences to export 20 tractors to China. Two of the groups involved are David Brown Ltd. and Massey Harris Ltd. both of Manchester.

The name of the third group could not be ascertained. It is understood that no sale, as such, has yet been finalised. Negotiations are still going on between representatives of the firms and the Chinese authorities.

Decision 2 Years Too Late

Another leading Hong Kong businessman said this morning: "This (decision) is about two years too late — but now that it's here, I think it is a jolly good thing and, of course, I thoroughly approve of it."

"If China does not get tractors from the United Kingdom now they will get them from Czechoslovakia and Russia, as they have in the past."

"And the trouble is that they're getting used to these tractors that they are importing from Russia and satellite countries and if this state of affairs is allowed to continue much longer we'll find that we'll never be able to sell any."

"And when the restrictions are lifted you'll find that we've just had it — that is why it is paramount that something should be done now."

"Revenge" Raids Ended Says Cairo

Cairo, Apr. 11. Egypt has withdrawn her "Fedayeen" suicide commandos from Israel, the Cairo radio announced tonight.

The broadcast said the Fedayeen had completed their mission of "revenge" for Israeli attacks on Gaza civilians.

The withdrawal announcement came on the second day of UN Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold's Middle East peace mission visit to Cairo and just hours after the UN chief met with Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser for "crucial talks."

The Cairo radio announced that 300 Fedayeen were sent across the Gaza frontier and completed 60 "suicide attacks" against Israeli villages in revenge for Israel's attack on Gaza civilians.

LOSSES

Ten of the Fedayeen commandos were killed, the announcement said.

(Israel claimed that her forces killed 11 of the "suicide" attackers during their raids inside Israel this week.)

The Cairo radio said the Fedayeen "revenge" raids for Israeli attacks on Gaza civilians began after an exchange of artillery fire along the Gaza strip. Egyptian authorities claimed Israeli artillery fire killed more than 50 civilians in villages along the bloody border.

The day after the battle the Fedayeen began their infiltration of Israel. —United Press.

But Near Tel-Aviv

Commandos Kill 3 Children

Jerusalem, Apr. 11. Three schoolchildren were shot dead and ten persons were wounded in Fedayeen attacks a bare eight miles from Tel-Aviv, Israel announced tonight.

The Army spokesman, Colonel Ehemia Brosh, said the three children were shot dead and the others, including a teacher, were wounded when the Arab infiltrators attacked a school at Shafir, eight miles from the busy Israeli metropolis.

Colonel Brosh added that another three persons were wounded by grenades which Fedayeen threw at a bus near Shafir. An Israeli policeman was wounded by Egyptian commandos on a road near Lydda, the spokesman added. —United Press.

And Attack Bus

Paris, Apr. 11. The Israeli radio, monitored here, reported that Egyptian Fedayeen attacked a bus going to Ramallah tonight.

The radio said that six of the passengers were wounded and taken to hospital. —France-Press.

ARAB-ISRAEL CEASEFIRE HAMMARSKJOLD GIVES NASSER HIS PROPOSALS

Cairo, Apr. 11. Mr Dag Hammarskjold, United Nations Secretary-General, today put to the Egyptian Prime Minister, Lieutenant-Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser, proposals for easing tension on the Israel border, the Premier's spokesman stated.

Colonel Nasser gave him Egypt's views in reply in a 75-minute interview.

Mr Hammarskjold went to the presidency with a strong security escort. He was accompanied by Major-General E.L.M. Burns, United Nations truce supervisor, and M. Henri Vigier, political and legal adviser to the truce supervisory commission.

Later, Mr Hammarskjold went into a long conference with Dr Mahmoud Fawzy, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, with whom he had lunch.

The Secretary-General has a United Nations aircraft waiting at his disposal for lightning visits to the Arab and Israeli capitals or to other points as he may decide. It was disclosed tonight, "There will be some quick moving about the region," his press secretary, Mr George Ivan Smith, stated.

Diplomatic sources said Mr Hammarskjold is trying to secure an absolute Arab-Israeli ceasefire, at least for the duration of his present mission, and a reduction of the forces on both sides of the border. —Reuter.

Strong US Backing For UN Mediator

The Eisenhower administration today reaffirmed its strong backing of the efforts of the United Nations and of its Secretary-General, Mr Dag Hammarskjold, now in Cairo, to prevent an outbreak of war between Israel and Egypt.

But authoritative sources — responsible for any suggestion that this present emphasis on the use of United Nations machinery to restore peace in Palestine constituted an attempt by the United States to disengage itself from or to downgrade the 1948 declaration in which the United States, Britain and France pledged themselves to take immediate action, if necessary, to deal with an outbreak of aggression in the area.

No such interpretation is placed by responsible officials here on the fact that President Eisenhower, in his announcement last Monday of United States determination to oppose aggression had omitted any reference to the tripartite declaration.

Officials pointed out that it would obviously be tactless for the President to issue a specific statement reaffirming a declaration calling for action, if necessary, "outside the United Nations" at a time when Mr Hammarskjold was in the Middle East, doing his best to find a solution inside the United Nations.

No one here questions that the United States would live up to commitments under the tripartite declaration, if the effort of the United Nations to restore peace in the area fail.

The feeling here is that it would not be helpful to Mr Hammarskjold's mission to encourage world-wide discussion of possible actions, based on the premise that that mission would fail.

In calling congressional leaders of both parties yesterday for a briefing on the Middle Eastern situation, the Secretary of State Mr John Foster Dulles, did in fact take one necessary step towards the fulfilment of the constitutional procedures, believed by President Eisenhower to be necessary before the United States could take action to support the tripartite declaration.

Consultations with Congress are not essential if action is only to be taken under the United Nations charter since Congress has already ratified and approved the obligations under the charter.

But congressional approval might be regarded as necessary under the constitution for fulfilment of the tripartite declaration since Congress has not ratified this declaration or approved of its content by formal resolution. —Reuter.



ANNA MAGNANI

Religious Order Sues Film Co.

Rome, Apr. 11. A women's religious order has brought a lawsuit against the Italian film company which stars actress Anna Magnani in the habit of the Franciscans of Mary Missionaries. It was learned here today.

The Order, of which a French Mother Superior, Marie De Elio, is the head, objected to the picture, because, it was alleged, Miss Magnani wore her habit without the slightest modification.

The Order hopes to persuade the film company to modify Miss Magnani's clothing of its own free will, and that the famous actress, who herself is a devout Catholic, will also bring her influence to bear on the firm.

Anna Magnani, who has won an "Oscar" Prize for her acting, plays a missionary sister in the film. —France-Press.

Trouble In Cafeteria WHITE ATTACKS NEGRO

Houston, Texas, Apr. 11. Attempts by a group of Negroes to enter a White cafeteria after they had been refused service flared into brief violence today when a White man hit a Negro lawyer.

Negro attorney M.W. Plummer was stunned but otherwise unhurt when witnesses said, oilman J. M. Wren hit him. The attack took place just outside the cafeteria entrance.

Witnesses said Plummer was off further blows with his arms and retreated. W.D. Derrington, the cafeteria operator, and a bystander grabbed Wren.

Witnesses said Wren was shouting: "The NAACP (National Association for Advancement of Coloured People) is Communist-backed and dominated... and you can tell that to Eisenhower in Washington."

REFUSED SERVICE

The cafeteria was in the Harris County (Houston) courthouse. Three Negroes were refused service earlier by Derrington in the face of a Federal Court order throwing the place open to Negro customers.

Plummer arrived at the cafeteria, looked in, and then left, returning a few minutes later with a group of Negroes which included Francis Williams, president of the Houston chapter of the NAACP.

Witnesses said Wren, who was standing at the cafeteria door, attacked the Negro lawyer.

Derrington said he was closing the cafeteria to everybody — Whites and Negroes alike — because he did not want to be held in contempt of court by refusing to serve Plummer. —United Press.

Red Faces In The Foreign Office

London, Apr. 11. The political correspondent of the Daily Express writes:

There are red faces in the Foreign Office. All the carefully laid security plans for the Bulgarian and Khrushchev visit have been blown wide open by a most undiplomatic blunder.

For the Foreign Office admits theirs was the blunder.

The exact timing of the lengthy schedule for the Russian visit was to have been kept secret. This was at the insistence of Scotland Yard security men who said publication of the precise timetable would greatly increase their responsibilities.

But now the whole programme, complete with times of arrival and departure at all points, has been published.

On Tuesday night the Central Office of Information issued publicly details of the timetable.

It had been intended that only a general programme should have been sent out for publication and that the exact times should not have been published.

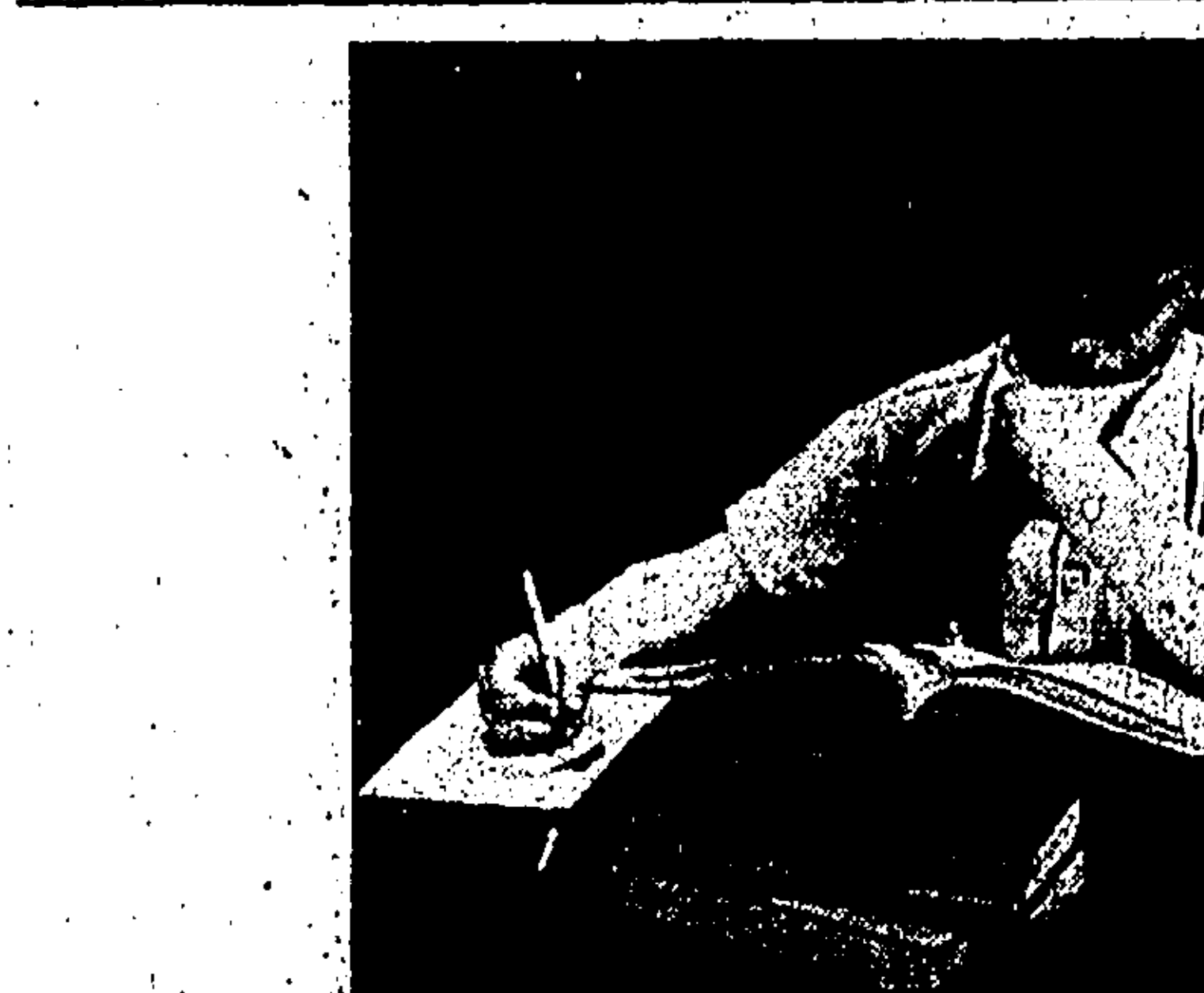
But when the timetable was sent to the Central Office of Information, the Foreign Office forgot to include instructions that only a general programme was for publication. —London Express Service.

OFF FOR TESTS

London, Apr. 12. Mr Charles Adams, scientific director for British atomic tests, left London last night for Sydney to take part in British atomic tests off Australia. —France-Press.

Proposal Rejected

Washington, Apr. 11. The Senate today defeated by 59-27 a proposal to set up a special congressional committee to keep watch over the super-secret central intelligence agency. The vote was a victory for President Eisenhower. —Reuter.



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B & K May Tempt With Big Trade Offer

Moscow, Apr. 11. A tempting new Soviet offer of trade aimed at British businessmen was forecast by diplomats today as likely highspot of the Bulgarian-Khrushchev visit to London.

These diplomats said the Soviet leaders might be expected to make a sensational offer of trade with British firms during their talks with British officials, and in meetings with industrialists, and to give this offer the maximum publicity.

In this way they would underline the idea that friendship with Russia could be a paying proposition as well as to exert pressure for the lifting of existing restrictions on strategic exports to the Communist bloc.

A surprise offer to place orders with Britain worth £400 million sterling was made by the Russians in 1954 during the visit to Moscow of an unofficial group of British businessmen. Only a small part of this offer was fulfilled partly because of subsequent Soviet reluctance to conclude contracts and partly because the British government refused permission for the export of some strategic equipment.

The Russians still require a number of strategic list items, particularly tankers and machine tools.

Diplomats said the Soviet leaders might believe big scale trade offers might prove so tempting to British businessmen that new pressure would be exerted on the British government to lift restrictions.

The Soviet government knows such pressure would embarrass the British government with its NATO allies.

Well-informed diplomats said it was expected that Mr Khrushchev and Mr Bulganin, who will be accompanied by the veteran foreign trade expert Mr (Clausen, on March 29, 1956).

Pilotless Plane Explodes

Adelaide, Apr. 11. An Australian-built pilotless Mark II plane exploded a mile over the Woomera firing range today, during the first public demonstration here of guided missile attack.

Experts will examine the wreckage in an attempt to determine the cause of the explosion. Officials said there was no suggestion of sabotage.

Two pilotless Meteor jets were waiting in the air to intercept the missile, which was travelling at 400 miles per hour when the blast tore it to bits. —United Press.

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BONN REFUSES SUPPORT FOR TROOPS IN GERMANY

Bonn, Apr. 11.

The West German Government indicated today that it would remain adamant in its refusal to pay support costs for Allied forces stationed in West Germany after May 5.

A Finance Ministry spokesman said at a Press conference that the West German note delivered to the Allied embassies here last Friday must be regarded as a "conclusive note" ending the stage of the negotiations reached up to date. The continuation of the talks would depend on the Allied reply.

No Obligation

The note was understood to have repeated all the known West German arguments that further payments would "discriminate" against West Germany, that they would impose a heavier defence burden on West Germany than on other NATO countries, and that West Germany was under no legal obligation to pay after May 5.

- ★ The note offered three alternative proposals in mitigation of its refusal to contribute to the upkeep of Allied forces:
- ★ 1. West Germany would buy back surplus supplies and materials bought by the Allies with occupation and support cost funds;
- ★ 2. She would permit the Western powers the unrestricted use of unexpended occupation and support cost funds said to total about 200 million sterling. (Under existing agreements the Allies must spend all these funds by May 5, 1957);
- ★ 3. West Germany was ready to buy an unspecified but "vast amount of military equipment from other Western European countries."

Allied officials said that these proposals could not be regarded as an important or even relevant contribution to the argument about support costs.

Faulty Argument

The Allied negotiators have pointed out to the West Germans that, though there was no legal obligation on West Germany, all NATO partners had undertaken a moral obligation to share the common defence burden fairly.

The argument of "discrimination" was considered faulty on the grounds that no other NATO country had needed such large foreign forces as a protection because of its own weakness.

The Allied negotiators have also been sceptical about the German claim that continued support costs, coupled with heavy defence expenditure, would constitute an intolerable burden.

Not Fully Convinced

They were also not fully convinced that West Germany would, in fact, spend relatively more on defence in the next three years than other NATO countries in view of the political uncertainties in the establishment of a fully effective West German force of 500,000 men.

—Reuter.

A-Bombs Will Not End Future War

Canberra, Apr. 11.

BRITAIN'S First Sea Lord, Admiral Earl Mountbatten, warned today that atomic bombs would not end a future war, as after the bombs would come a war at sea.

He said that the present "extraordinary public ignorance and apathy" on the importance of the Navy could lead to a third world war.

The Navy belonged in the line of the fighting forces and must once more take its place there, he told the company of HMSA's Harman, a Naval wireless station near Canberra.

Earl Mountbatten stressed the significance of Russia's Naval buildup since the war. He said that since 1946 Russia had built 20 large cruisers, 115 destroyers and 367 submarines, and today had a bigger fleet than Germany ever had.

Members of all parties in the Australian Parliament, today urged the development of a British naval base at Cockburn Sound, on the West coast of Australia, in the event that bases in Ceylon cease being available to the Commonwealth.

Members of Parliament made the suggestion, in the presence of Earl Mountbatten following the surprising victory won by "neutralist" parties in Ceylon's general elections.

Earl Mountbatten, said he would visit Cockburn Sound next Saturday.

Opposition leader, Dr Herbert Ewart, urged the Australian Government to endeavour to maintain good relations with the new Ceylonese Government. —France-Press.

'FRUIT SALAD' AGAIN IN GERMANY

Bonn, Apr. 11.

The West German Cabinet today approved a bill to permit the wearing of old German orders and decorations shorn of Nazi symbols.

A Government spokesman who announced the decision refused to give any details until President Theodor Heuss has approved the bill. It will then be presented to Parliament.

Many ex-soldiers have long pressed for the right to wear their iron crosses and other decorations, which were forbidden by the Allies after World War II.

It has been generally expected that the Government would meet their wish, but would demand that no specifically Nazi party decorations should be re-authorized and that other decorations, such as the Iron Cross, should be worn without the swastika which Hitler attached to it. —China Mail Special.

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Hammarskjold In England



United Nations Secretary-General Mr Dag Hammarskjold (left) walks from the plane on his arrival at London Airport with British Foreign Secretary Mr Selwyn Lloyd, who met him. Mr Hammarskjold was on his way to the Middle East to try and reduce tension between the Arab countries and Israel. —Reuterphoto.

Press Outnumber Wedding Guests

Monaco, Apr. 11.

One thousand reporters and cameramen from more than 30 nations are in Monaco tonight for the most written-about marriage since the wedding of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh.

They outnumber the invited guests by two to one—and all of them want to be on hand tomorrow to see the arrival of actress Grace Kelly, who next week becomes the bride of Prince Rainier, and Princess of this tiny Mediterranean state.

The luxury liner Constitution, bringing Miss Kelly from the United States, is expected to drop anchor off Monaco's rugged "blue coast" at about 10 a.m.

The 32-year-old Princess will sail out for his reunion with his bride-to-be and bring her ashore in his 320-ton yacht Deo Juvante.

Hundreds of private vessels, ranging from launches to tiny speedboats, packed to the bows, will race out in the wake of the Prince's yacht in the hope of getting a grandstand view of the meeting.

Apart from Miss Kelly's family, other members of the 70-member wedding party will go ashore by tender.

Monaco's 160-man police force has asked the French authorities to send reinforcements to cope with the crowds of Montegassques who will surge down to the gaily beflagged harbour to welcome the couple.

The Royal yacht will sail into harbour to the shrill of welcoming sirens from flag-streaked pleasure craft—with the great mass of Monaco's rock rising up from the azure sea like a tiered wedding cake.

The Prince and Miss Kelly will drive along the steep winding road which leads up the rock to the pink and grey stone palace, half a mile away. The Prince has moved to his villa Ibis, over the border in France, and has put the palace at the disposal of Grace and her parents until the religious wedding, one week tomorrow. The civil ceremony is on April 18.

Has Statuette

The 35-year-old "ex-King of Albania," Otto I, has sent Prince Rainier of Monaco a telegram, requesting an invitation to Rainier's forthcoming wedding.

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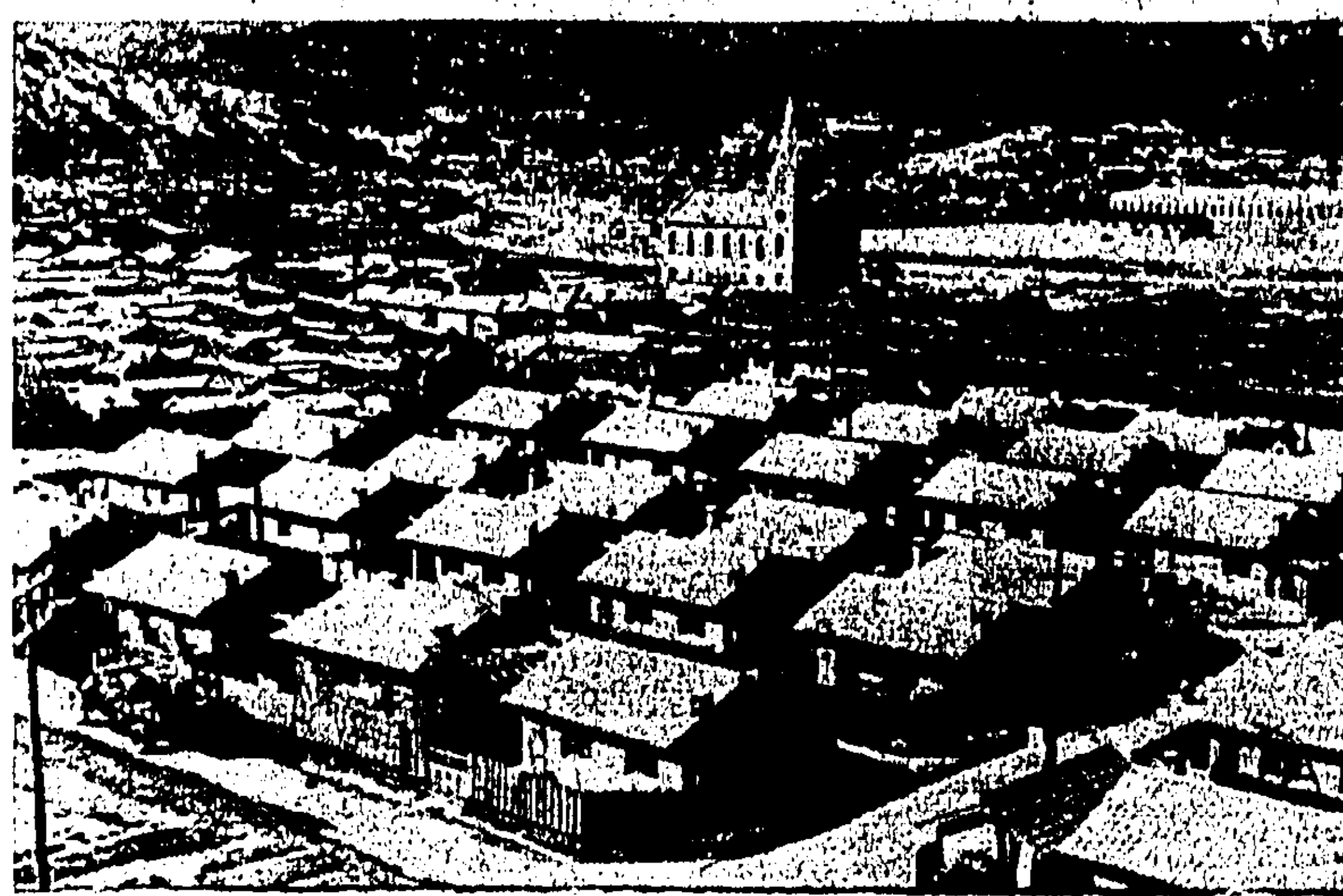
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Korea Houses Homeless



Western-style roofs of new houses contrast with the Oriental architecture of typical homes in the South Korean capital. The new houses—shown in foreground—are among 4,200 finished or under construction with aid from the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency. Despite the new building, Korea still faces a serious housing shortage. Estimation is that 1,000,000 homes are needed to replace those destroyed during the Korean War and to house refugees from Communist-dominated North Korea.—Express Photo.

CLARIDGES PREPARES FOR B & K

London, Apr. 11. Claridges Hotel, favoured London shopping-place of European Royalty, tonight prepared for Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr Nikita Khrushchev, who move into the £200 sterling week Royal suite next Wednesday.

During their 10-day visit to Britain the Soviet leaders and their retinue of 44 will occupy the entire first floor of the renowned hotel of kings.

In Claridges vast kitchens two Russian chefs will supervise all the Soviet leaders' meals, which will be taken to their suite by waitresses brought from Moscow.

While the Russian leaders are here, their hand-picked bodyguards will patrol the brown-carpeted corridors of the first floor, plain clothes Scotland Yard men will be stationed throughout the hotel and will mingle with the guests. China Mail Special.

UNITED GERMANY FIRST

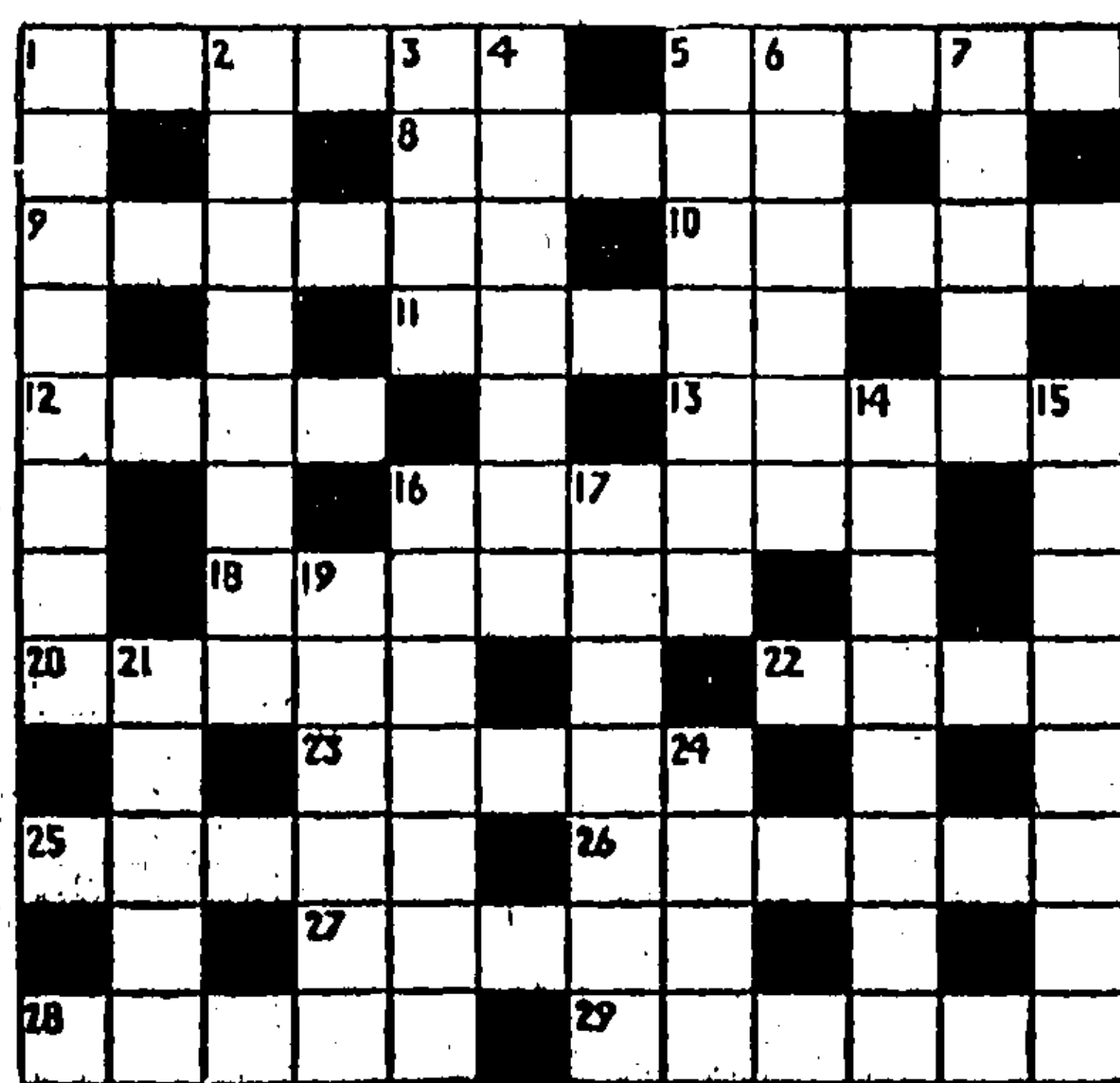
Bonn, Apr. 11. Dr Heinrich von Brentano, the West German Foreign Minister, said here today West Germany would welcome a disarmament agreement between the big powers, but it could not agree to it if it were based on the continued division of Germany.

Dr von Brentano was reporting to the Christian Democratic Parliamentary party on his talks with Dr Konrad Adenauer, the Chancellor, in Ascona, Switzerland, earlier this week. He said "if a practicable disarmament plan is accepted by the four big powers, the German people would be the first to welcome it." He said "disarmament fits into my concepts much better than rearmament."

COULD NOT ACREE
But, he stated, West Germany could not agree to any disarmament agreement on the basis of the status quo of a divided Germany, not even a temporary division.

He said the West German Government still insisted that German reunification should have preference in a solution of international problems over the problems of European security. —Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
1. Loco hole (6).
 2. Code (5).
 3. Military rank (5).
 4. Weaker (6).
 5. Nudge (5).
 6. Feature (5).
 7. Trick (4).
 8. Proposal of health (6).
 9. Hadit (6).
 10. Proof-corrector (6).
 11. Certain years (6).
 12. Wan (4).
 13. Bony part (5).
 14. Pigment (5).
 15. Sunburnt (6).
 16. Semi-dermatitis (5).
 17. Stupides (6).
 18. Doll down (6).
- DOWN**
1. One going abroad (8).
 2. Unmasking (8).
 3. Send out (4).
 4. Wield (7).
 5. Prefect (7).
 6. Speaker (6).
 7. Paces (5).
 8. Reached (8).
 9. Bull fighter (8).
 10. Rogues (7).
 11. Legislator (7).
 12. Flag (6).
 13. Happening (6).
 14. Plucky (4).

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REDS WILL EXPLOIT NASSER'S FANCIFUL DREAM

New York, Apr. 11.

General Sir John Bagot Glubb, ousted last month as commander of Jordan's famed Arab Legion, called his abrupt dismissal from the Arab Legion "only one sign of the dangerous realignment of power going on in that part of the world," in an article in this week's issue of Life magazine.

The net result of these shifts, he said, could be Communist dominance in the oil-rich region. Sir John, who spent 30 years leading British troops, saw the major problem of the Middle East as lying in the "intense hatred of the West engendered by the Palestine conflict."

Double Productivity

He said the "intransigence" of Arab leaders was the main barrier to the handling of the problem posed by the million Palestine Arab refugees. He felt it was virtually impossible to expect resettlement of the refugees in other Arab countries and that the only practicable solution was through the development of Jordan itself, where the refugees currently represented one-third of the country's population.

Sir John said that "an artificial and false figure of the tank" should be sent to Jordan, given adequate funds, wide liberty of action and full support, and instructed to double the productivity in five years.

He condemned past efforts by the United States, pointing to the Christian Democratic Parliamentary party on his talks with Dr Konrad Adenauer, the Chancellor, in Ascona, Switzerland, earlier this week. He said "if a practicable disarmament plan is accepted by the four big powers, the German people would be the first to welcome it."

Doubtful

Sir John said that the Western Powers were today faced with an alliance in the Middle East of Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the Russians. He accused the present government of Egypt of aspiring to create an Arab empire, with Egypt as its head. He called it "doubtful" that they would succeed in their bid, but said that the Soviet Union would do its utmost to exploit Egypt's "fanciful dream."

Saudi Arabia was allied with Egypt against Iraq and Jordan, he said.

Sir John Glubb said, merely as a continuance of the family feud which 30 years ago saw Ibn Saud seize the Arab holy cities of Mecca and Medina.

The Saudis remain the inveterate enemies of the Hashemites, now rulers of Jordan and Iraq.

The Russians were hoping to overthrow the Hashemite governments of Iraq and Jordan because Iraq was the founder of the Baghdad Pact and Jordan had been until recently the most pro-Western of the Arab states.

U.S. Blamed

Sir John called the Egyptian-Saudi-Arabian-Russian alliance an "incongruous" one, with each member out for himself, and said the only sure winners were the Communists, who already were reaping huge benefits under the alliance.

Sir John alleged that Saudi Arabia, backed by the United States, was currently doing its utmost to determine the British-backed kings of Jordan and Iraq.

He said the large sums of money Saudi Arabia spent in Jordan to raise internal disorders "could well result in King Hussein's being succeeded by a Communist or near-Communist regime."

"Four years ago there were no Communists in Jordan," he said. "Today they are one of the most powerful factors in its political life, although the party is still banned."

Many Converts

"They have made great numbers of converts among school masters, who openly incite communism in their pupils. The riots of December, 1955, and January 1956 were started by Communist students and school children, in some cases led by their teachers."

Communist subversion in the Middle East, Sir John said, was directed principally by the Soviet Embassy in Lebanon, Syria and Egypt. The Soviet Embassy in Israel also helped to feed propaganda to the Arab world.

He said that ten years ago, the Soviet Union was regarded with horror in the devoutly Moslem Arab countries, but that today the Soviets were "in the centre of the state" and had "succeeded in capturing Arab nationalism."

No Adequate Reply

He alleged that Soviet representatives currently were doing everything possible to increase unrest in the Middle East "by secret intrigue, the sale of arms, diplomacy and particularly by propaganda."

"It is desperately necessary for the United States and Britain to realise that they are being hustled out of the Middle East by this warfare of words to which they make no adequate reply," Sir John said.—China Mail Special.

French Planes Strafe Rebels

Constantine, Apr. 11. French Air Force planes today machine-gunned a heavy concentration of rebels at Beni-El-Mechaiech, some nine miles from Collo on the coast.

The rebels were spotted while the planes were on a reconnaissance flight over the area in which heavy fighting took place recently following the landing of a marine commando at Collo.

The result of the action was not known here at a late hour tonight. In other engagements in various parts of Algeria during the past 24 hours, a total of 13 rebels were killed and a number taken prisoner. —France-Press.

TRUMAN LASHES OUT EISENHOWER ACCUSED OF 'POLITICAL BETRAYAL'

Des Moines, Apr. 11.

Former President Truman lashed President Eisenhower tonight as a "do nothing" president who had committed "political betrayal" and "deceived" the farmers.

Ba Cut Believed About To Surrender

Saigon, Apr. 11.

REBEL General Ba Cut—the last big holdout against US-backed Premier Ngo Dinh Diem—was on the point of surrendering, authorised sources said today.

Defence Ministry sources said Ba Cut already has opened negotiations and, to prove his good faith, is purging Communists from his 3,000 to 4,000-man guerrilla army.

Ba Cut, one of the chieftains of the Hoa Hao sect, fought the Communists during the Indo-China war but turned against Premier Diem for declining to confer with the Reds on holding elections to unite the divided country.

Ba Cut took to the warpath and started letting his hair grow, swearing he would never cut it until all Vietnam was reunified.

Last autumn, Ba Cut, falling back on the swamp plain of rushes west of Saigon, started co-operating with Communist guerrillas in the region. Last month, Diem dispatched national army troops to force a decision.

Ba Cut has been so hard-pressed since that he has been unable to pay his troops. He even sent his pretty wife to France to try to drum up funds from anti-Diem circles there. She failed.

Leading the negotiations for the Government is Nguyen Ngoc Tho, Ambassador to Japan, who two months ago negotiated the surrender of another Hoa Hao General, Tran Van Soai.—United Press.

AIRLINK RESUMED

Rangoon, Apr. 11.

The Burma-China airlink, broken off in 1949, when the Communists took over in China, began functioning again today when the first Chinese civil aviation plane left Kunming for Rangoon.

The Burmese Ambassador to Peking, U Hia Moung, was one of the passengers aboard the plane, which was given a ceremonial send-off by Mr Ying Chao, Governor of Yunnan.

An agreement to reopen land and air routes between the two countries was reached late last year in Rangoon, after talks between Burmese Premier U Nu and Chinese Premier Chou En-lai.—France-Press.

Amazing Record

But in the past three years, the former President added, Mr Eisenhower has personally been doing all he could to keep Congress from raising the support prices farmers get.

"This is one of the most amazing records of political betrayal I have ever seen in all my years of public life," he added.

Mr Truman said in a speech at the Iowa Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner that "he (the President) deserves to be rejected by the people just as the 80th Congress was, because he is a do-nothing president just as that 80th Congress was a do-nothing Congress."

Made A Mockery

Turning to problems of world peace and foreign policy, he said they "overshadow all our other problems here at home." He said that, in those fields, "the Eisenhower administration has made the worst mistakes."

The former President added: "They (the administration) have made a mockery of bipartisanship in foreign policy. They have put politics first and the national interest second. The result has been to disarm our friends, comfort our enemies, weaken the position of the free world and drive other nations closer to the Communist bloc."

"In the face of the growing military strength of the Communist nations, the Eisenhower administration has actually been cutting down on the size of our armed forces."

"In the face of the growing economic strength of the Communist nations, the Eisenhower administration tells us that Soviet policies have failed."

Sorry Record

"They have been withholding the truth from the American people because they fear the political consequences if the truth were known. But the truth is that they have drifted into a situation where the danger of Communist domination of the free world is greater than ever before."

"This is a sorry record and a frightening one. This is the reason we must elect a Democratic President who can rally the free peoples of the world once again to work together to improve their economic conditions, to maintain their independence and to establish a peace based on freedom and justice." —United Press.

She's Typical Australian



Blonde, attractive, 18-year-old, Carolyn Frances Cleary arrived in London last week from Sydney. The trip is part of the prize she won, organised by "Woman's Day" for being a typical Australian girl along with some other 19 girls from all parts of the world will be present at the wedding of Grace Kelly and Prince Rainier. —Central Press Photo.

General Strike In Spanish City

Madrid, Apr. 11.

The Spanish press and radio maintained a strict blackout on news of the general strike which broke out in Pamplona today.

In Madrid however a large part of the population had obtained details of the strike through word-of-mouth reports.

Meanwhile, rumours circulated here said a renewal of student demonstrations, coupled with a nationwide general strike were scheduled to break out between April 12 and 16.

According to the rumours, traces to this effect have been distributed throughout Spain.

First Since 1953

The Pamplona strike is the first strike which has occurred in Spain since December, 1953, when 2,000 Bilbao shipyard workers struck for nine days for wage increases.

Strikes are considered illegal in Spain and rural workers were sentenced to prison terms in 1951 for having agitated in favour of strikes which broke out in the Spanish Basque country.—France-Press.

The reports said the strike had brought the city to a standstill. Stores, still open this morning, shut in the afternoon, and theatres and cinemas remained closed.

Workers in several factories and mines of Bilbao, Sestao and Baracaldo (Viscaya Province) and Eibar (arms factories) Mondragón and Tolosa (Guipuzcoa Province) today downed tools as soon as they heard the news of the Pamplona strike.

No Incidents

So far, no incidents have been reported from the strike centres. It was learned from workers circles in Pamplona that the strike was not for an increase in salaries, but aimed at forcing the state to take steps to prevent a rise in living costs.

Stalin's Deflation May Backfire Against Chin Peng

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 11.

Psychological warfare experts here are using Moscow's condemnation of Stalin to break the Malayan Communist terrorists' faith in their leader, Chin Peng.

In the past few days thousands of leaflets reporting on Nikita Khrushchev's denunciation of the late Russian dictator were dropped into the Malayan jungle.

The leaflets say that Stalin has been condemned for his "egotism of personality" and that "Chin Peng is also guilty of individual leadership. What say do you have in party affairs and decisions?"

More Letters

Meanwhile, two more letters have been received here, purportedly from the Malayan Communist Party headquarters. One of them was stencilled and written in Chinese, presumably asking for another meeting between Chin Peng and the Chief Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman, who had rejected similar peace feelers made less than a fortnight ago.

Tengku Rahman, early in February on his return from London, had broadcast over Radio Malaya a demand to Chin Peng to lay down his arms, as well as those of his men, as pledged by the Communist delegation at the Baling peace talks last December.

Through his aide, Chen Tian, the Malayan Communist leader pledged to lay down their arms as soon as the Tengku obtained control of internal security from the British Government.

In London last December the British Government acquiesced in Tengku Rahman's request for control of internal security and he is now Defence Minister and chairman of the Emergency Operations Council which is conducting the guerrilla war against the Communist terrorists.

Remained Silent

Chin Peng has remained silent in his jungle headquarters and the consensus among experts is that he will not surrender.

Chin Peng had told Tengku Abdul Rahman at the Baling peace meeting that he and his men would fight to the last man rather than surrender.—United Press.

Nepalese Coronation In May

Kathmandu, Apr. 11.

King Mahendra Bir Bikram Shah, 36, who took over the rule of this Himalayan kingdom in March, 1955, following the death of his father, King Tribhuvana Bir Bikram, will formally ascend the throne on May 2, it was announced today.

Solemnity will be allied to austerity in the 80-minute coronation ceremony planned in the ancestral palace of Harman, Dhoka, because the young king has instructed palace dignitaries to keep expenditures low.

However, to the chanting of hymns by royal priests, the king of the only Hindu kingdom in the world will sit successively in several thrones of gold and silver while he is anointed with waters from the seven seas and the sacred rivers.

The floor of the coronation hall will be spread with the skins of lions, tigers and lesser animals.

Following the ceremony, the king will mount an elephant to lead a procession including army detachments through the capital city while planes shower flowers from above. Six days of festivities will follow.—United Press.

RAMADAN OPENS TO GUNFIRE

Cairo, Apr. 11.

The minarets of Cairo were brilliantly lit tonight and artillery thundered out a peaceful salute to mark the beginning of Ramadan, the ninth month in the Mohammedan calendar.

From dawn to dusk now until May 10, devout Moslems will observe a rigid fast.

Public offices will only open for five hours each morning.

The armed forces will observe the fast too, except those in the most advanced sectors.

But civil defence exercises will take place tonight as planned in towns along the Suez Canal zone.

Cairo had two such exercises earlier today before Ramadan began.—France-Press.

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MELBOURNE TALKS OF BEER AND SKITTLES

I AM not in the habit of making a flying round trip of 1,100 miles for lunch, but Melbourne—and the Melbourne Herald—called and I went.

My hosts, the men who run the Herald, were not at all surprised. Australians use airplanes as other people use buses.

This is the most air-minded country in the world, not excluding the United States, and its safety record is remarkable.

The climate and the terrain—few mountains—make it ideal for flying, and the scattered population over a vast area make flying a necessity.

The British Viscount is a tremendous success and has shown and waved the flag more vigorously for Britain than anything or anyone else.

Next to me in the plane on the way to Melbourne was a 20-year-old Englishman. He told me: "I came here when I was 15 and I'm staying for life. I'm a law student and Australia has done everything for me."

Intense rivals

"I'm visiting my girl in Melbourne and the fare for the 550-mile trip is nine guineas. Can you imagine any student paying that sort of money and flying like this to see his girl friend in England? This is the country."

Melbourne and Sydney are intense rivals and the two cities are running neck-and-neck for the honour of being Australia's No. 1 town. I rate the contest so far as a draw.

Sydney is more spectacular and has some gaudy night life; but Melbourne has more dignity and perhaps authority and no night life at all.

FOLLOWING THE FLAG

with DON IDDON'S Diary



People here are still busily discussing the decision to close the bars at six in the evening even when the Olympic Games are held in November.

It's simple
THE pubs and bars open at 10 a.m. and close promptly at 6 p.m. Why? My guide from the Herald, war correspondent Oscar White, told me:

"It's quite simple. It's the will of the women. The women want their men home for dinner and they want them home sober as possible. They might be a little tight by six, but if the pubs remained open until ten they might be completely plastered."

I said: "It doesn't say much for self-discipline and it seems to me a little uncivilised and harsh."

White reminded me of the "dry" States in the United States and Canada and said England's licensing laws were hardly ideal.

Big issue
ANYWAY, Melbourne, said, is a lovely, and very beautiful, with its sweeping boulevards and avenues. It is not Las Vegas and it is not Honolulu and never will be.

What has all this to do with following the flag? A little, because more reasonable licensing laws would enable the Australians to drink more Scotch whisky. They are now the second biggest beer drinkers in the world—the Danes are first—but I haven't seen a drunken man or woman since I came here, whereas every day I see drunks in New York.

Licensing laws have been and are a very big issue. For weeks there were huge advertisements: "Australia's national Capital Canberra has endorsed and introduced ten o'clock closing. For many years Melbourne was the Capital city of Australia in name as well as in fact. Even though the national Capital has now been transferred to Canberra, Melbourne has still retained its position as the leading city of the Commonwealth except in regard to its archaic drinking laws. You will have your opportunity to bring Melbourne into line with the national Capital by bringing civilised drinking to the whole community of Victoria."

Women won

So a referendum was held, the people had their opportunity, and they voted for six p.m. closing, not ten.

The women won and the men go home early not staggered. So it is to be games but no fun at the Olympics in Melbourne. I drove to Olympic Village and was impressed. There has been criticism of the decision to house the athletes in a village of their own, but where else could Melbourne put them? There is an hotel shortage and a housing shortage in all cities and towns here and I think Melbourne is doing a herculean job.

If the Russians don't like it they can stay away. Three delegates from Russia are here just now and, although they are not saying so, I bet they are Melbourne about ten times as luxurious and opulent as Moscow.

This is a rich and handsome city, manicured and groomed, and green with parks.

have to report that it makes our own Manchester and Birmingham look grim.

This should be an ideal site for the Olympics, and the Australians are spending huge amounts of money and energy on the job. The building programme alone is costing over £2,500,000, and Olympic Village is costing £2,000,000.

I have not written much about politics in this diary because Melbourne is talking more about beer and skittles than about politics. However, at least six people have tipped me off that Prime Minister Menzies is planning to retire to England, become a peer; that he is going to be appointed Australian High Commissioner, that he is intending to become Australia's Chief Justice.

The tipsters seem to be wrong, because Menzies, who is rather brusque to the press, says: "I treat it as an insult that I should be asked such questions. I shall be certifiable when I allow a few newspaper reporters to decide my future for me. It's the silly season, of course. Yes, I shall be resigning some day."

It's apparently the arrogant season also. You would not get a President of the United States or a British Prime Minister talking to the press like that.

Menzies is brilliant, distinguished and impressive, but

inclined to talk down to people. Perhaps the public outcry against his anti-inflation measures has made him testy.

Dr. Ewart, leader of the Federal Opposition, manages to keep in the news, and I have been told variously that he is one of the greatest Australian politicians ever, a rabble-rouser, an inspired patriot, and a dangerous radical. You take your choice.

Some of the politicians are saying that Britain is letting down Australia and breaking a gentlemen's agreement by spending more than she should of Commonwealth dollars and gold reserves. The charge is that we are throwing Commonwealth dollars around on Canadian whisky and nylon and treating Australia like a colony.

Grave charge

THE charge is grave and should be answered. It is vitally important that Britain realises that Australia has grown up and is of immense stature. Australia is no longer a child and dependent. The only negotiation between the two countries must be as equals—otherwise there will be trouble. I hope this disagreement is only a teapot tempest. The reservoir of affection and respect of Australia for Britain is as deep as the sea. We must keep it that way.

I'm picking Princess Kelly's successor WHO WILL BE THE FIRST LADY OF HOLLYWOOD?

By RALPH COOPER

SO the reigning queen of Hollywood has departed. Grace Kelly has said farewell to the studios and nobody knows when, if ever, she will come back.

Most people think never. Unless she is as good a prince-persuader as she is an actress.

Who takes over? I nominate two candidates for the vacant post of First Lady of Hollywood—Deborah Kerr and Jennifer Jones. A couple of years ago I would not have given them a second thought, nor would anyone else.

"Oh, that nice Miss Kerr. She's that sweet British girl, isn't she? Married. Children. Yes. Nice girl. That was Hollywood's reaction to Deborah. Or 'Sweet actress. Needs warming-up. Lacks sex.' Jennifer Jones didn't fare much better at that time. 'Jennifer? Mother type. She used to have a certain something—but I don't know where it is now. She's a sort of middle-aged type.'"

KISS OF DEATH

TO be so sickly categorised in the kiss of death in Hollywood, where youth, sex, glamour and talent are the coin of the realm.

Yet today these two are the most sought-after actresses in the place. They have acquired a certain redoubtable glamour, call it what you will, that has sent their careers zooming.

"Indiscretions of an American Wife," the film she made in Rome, helped to type Jennifer. Her chance to change came with "Love Is A Many Splendored Thing," a tragic love story set in Hongkong, in which she played a Eurasian doctor, hopelessly in love with a war correspondent William Holden.

"There's even enough love stories on the screen," Jennifer told my Hollywood colleague, Michael Ruddy, during a break on the set of her latest picture. "So many pictures today depict the sordid and the harsh side of life or show violence and brutality. Where are the great love stories?"

Michael Ruddy couldn't tell her—and nor can I. But she has found one now. In a few weeks she will be at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Elstree studios making "The Barretts of Wimpole Street." An old one, it is true, but one of the greatest love stories.

THE REBEL

DEBORAH, of course, deserves to go down in film history as "the first rebel of Hollywood," because she was the first of the big stars to get tired of sitting around and taking the parts the studio "dishd out." The jibe about Deborah needing "warming-up" and "lacking sex" was made by an expert in the studio casting department while she was making a historical piece called "Young Bess" which she played. Stewart Granger in the leading role.

"I realised that this was the end," Deborah told me when we last met. "I suddenly realised that I would go on playing dreary, demure females of

quality for ever—unless I rebelled. The trouble is, I'm not the pushing type. I do so admire people who decide what they want and then go ahead and work like the devil for it—but I can't do it. When something is right, I know it. I feel it. Like 'From Here To Eternity'.

The moment I read it I knew that it was for me. So I found a new, tough agent-manager to battle for me—Bert Allenberg. He got my release from MGM on condition that I do two more films for

TOUGH ROLE

ONE will be the highly controversial "Tea and Sympathy," in which Deborah took Broadway by storm, and which she will make this summer.

She has just finished "The King and I," and waiting to be shown is another tough role, reminiscent of the very sexy wife in "From Here To Eternity." This film is "The Proud Lady," a US Marine story she made with William Holden.

"I didn't realise where, my gentility and British accent would lead me," said Deborah. "Demure parts? Heavens, I've had them! But I was never demure at home."

She thought a bit. "I suppose you could say that life is made up of being in the right place at the right time. I was in the wrong place at the right time—the red-haired, porcelain-skinned heroine."

"A lot of people have told me, 'Why didn't you strike out before? Look at the time you've wasted.'"

"But I don't agree. I think you get from everything you do well. You get understanding and confidence."

CHRISTOPHER DOBSON REPORTING AMERICA

COURTS PUT SPORT ON THE SPOT

SPORT in the U.S. is taking a battering. "Fixes," gambling scandals, and court cases are bringing it into disrepute.

Miller Wes Santee made the headlines with his suspension for shantamoyism.

Alto McCoy, a Los Angeles promoter, told about boxing "fixes." In 12 bouts he ordered boxers to take "dives."

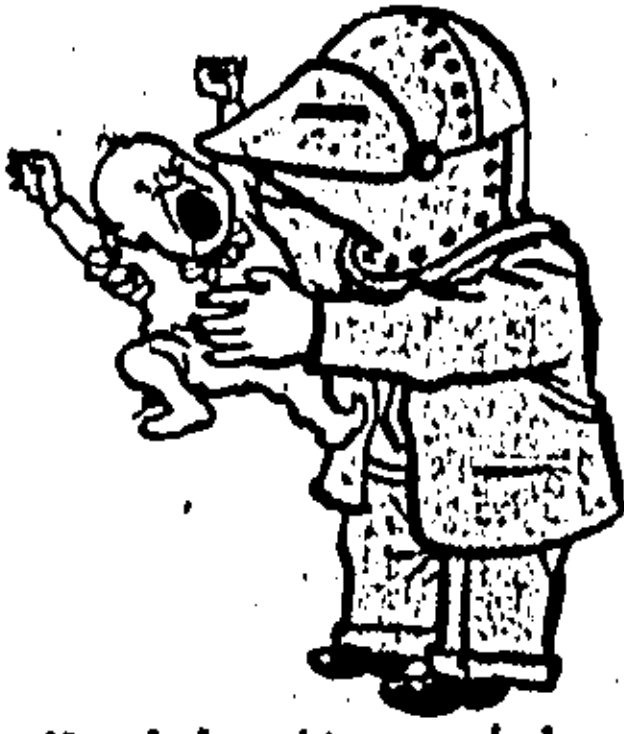
In racing, trainer John T. Engle won \$95,000 damages against two racetracks for refusing to allow his horses to run after he was cleared of doping charges.

In golf, clubs are calling off "Calcutta Pools"—high betting tournaments—because big money syndicates are "skinning the suckers."

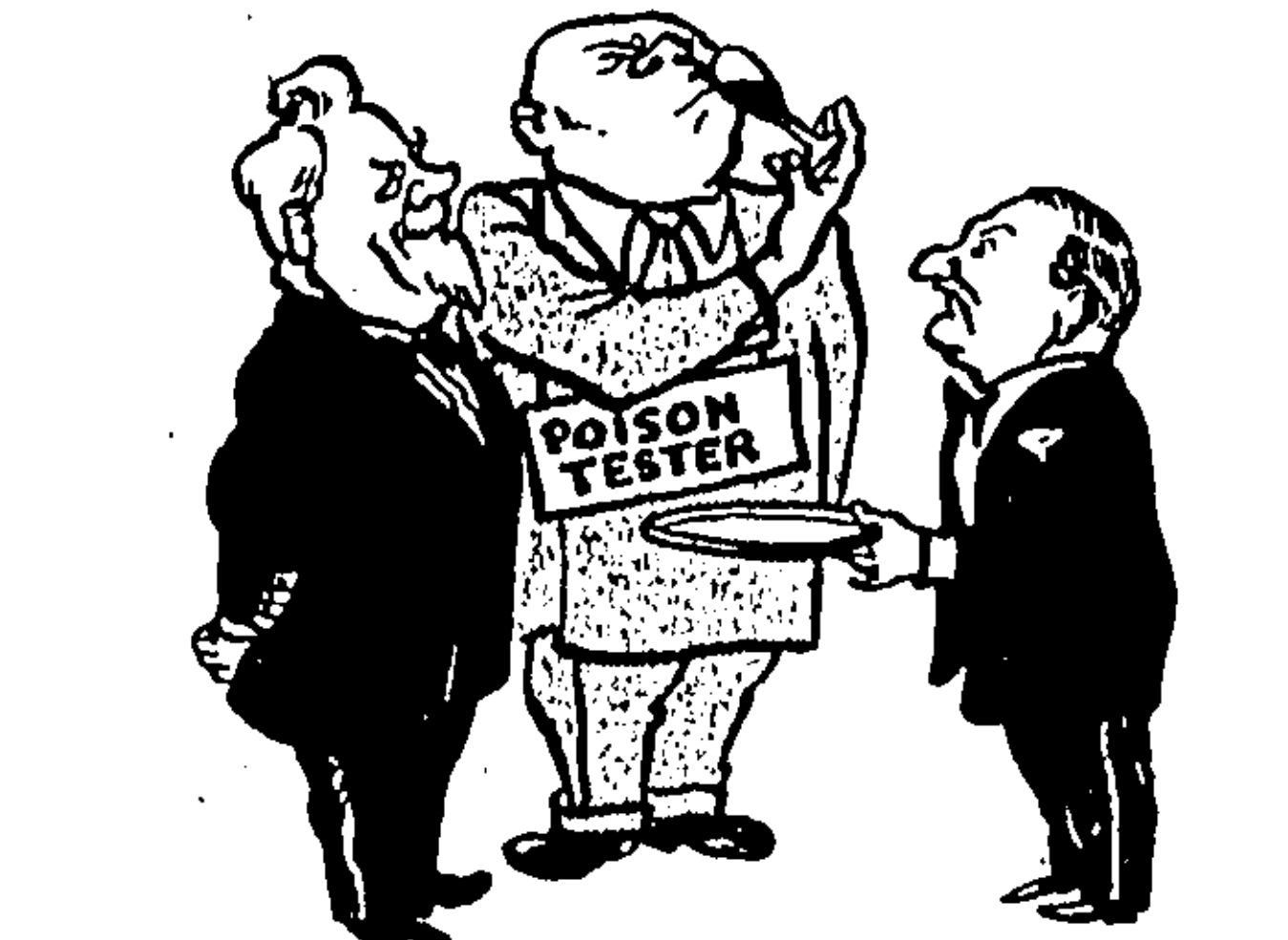
Now it is being said that only a full-scale probe by a Federal jury will stop the rot.

A Navy psychologist's have at last agreed with U.S. Army

WHY I THINK SEROV FLEW OFF "SATISFIED WITH SECURITY..."



Krushchev kisses a baby.



Selwyn Lloyd offers Bulgarein a drink at a Foreign Office party.



B. and K. mingle freely with the crowds.



"Housemaid" at Claridges does Mr. Krushchev's room.



And, of course, the Prime Minister is frisked for weapons before talks begin.

YOU'RE REBORN (98 PERCENT) YEARLY

(FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

Washington MAN is 98 percent "born again" every year. That much of the basic material of his body is replaced with new material each 12 months.

This is one of the most astonishing revelations made by the use of radioactive isotopes—peaceful products of atomic energy—in physiological investigations, says Dr Paul C. Aebersold, Director of the Isotopes Division of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission, in a report to the Smithsonian Institution.

"Medical men," Dr Aebersold says, "used to think of the human body as an engine that takes in food, air and water mainly as fuel to keep running on. Only a small part of these materials was thought to go for replacement of engine wear."

"Investigations with radioisotopes have now demonstrated that the body, instead, is much more like a very fluid military unit, in which the individual cells, organs and composition even though the individuals in it was continually changing—joining up, being transferred from post to post, promoted or demoted, acting as reserves, and finally departing after varying lengths of service."

Rapid Turnover

"Tracer studies, in which radioisotopes are introduced into the human body and their movements followed with radiation detection instruments, show that the atomic turnover in our bodies is quite rapid and quite complete. In a week or two half the sodium atoms will be replaced by other sodium atoms. The same is true for hydrogen and phosphorus. Even half of the carbon atoms will be replaced in a month or two."

"And so the story goes for nearly all the elements. In a year approximately 98 percent of the atoms in us now will be replaced by other atoms that we take in our air, food and drink."

"Our body processes are continually breaking down and building up organic molecules. The breaking-down process releases the energy which is necessary for proper functioning of our bodies. A fine balance is maintained between the degradation to obtain energy and the synthesis to make new organic molecules."

Of the more than 1,000 nuclear species, or isotopes, that have been identified to date, Dr Aebersold says, over 750 are radioactive and 100 of these now are manufactured routinely at the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission's Oak Ridge, Tennessee, laboratory.

Sensitivity

Some of the remarkable results obtained in biological laboratories all over the world, he points out, are due to the extreme sensitivity of the radioisotope tracer technique. It is possible to detect the presence of certain atoms with methods which have hundreds of millions of times the sensitivity of other physical and chemical techniques.

"It is not difficult to detect radioisotopes," he says, "that have been diluted as much as 10,000 million times, while dilutions of 1,000,000 millions are obtainable. This means that it would be possible to detect one ounce (283 decagrams) of a substance thoroughly mixed in 100 million tons of ordinary sugar."

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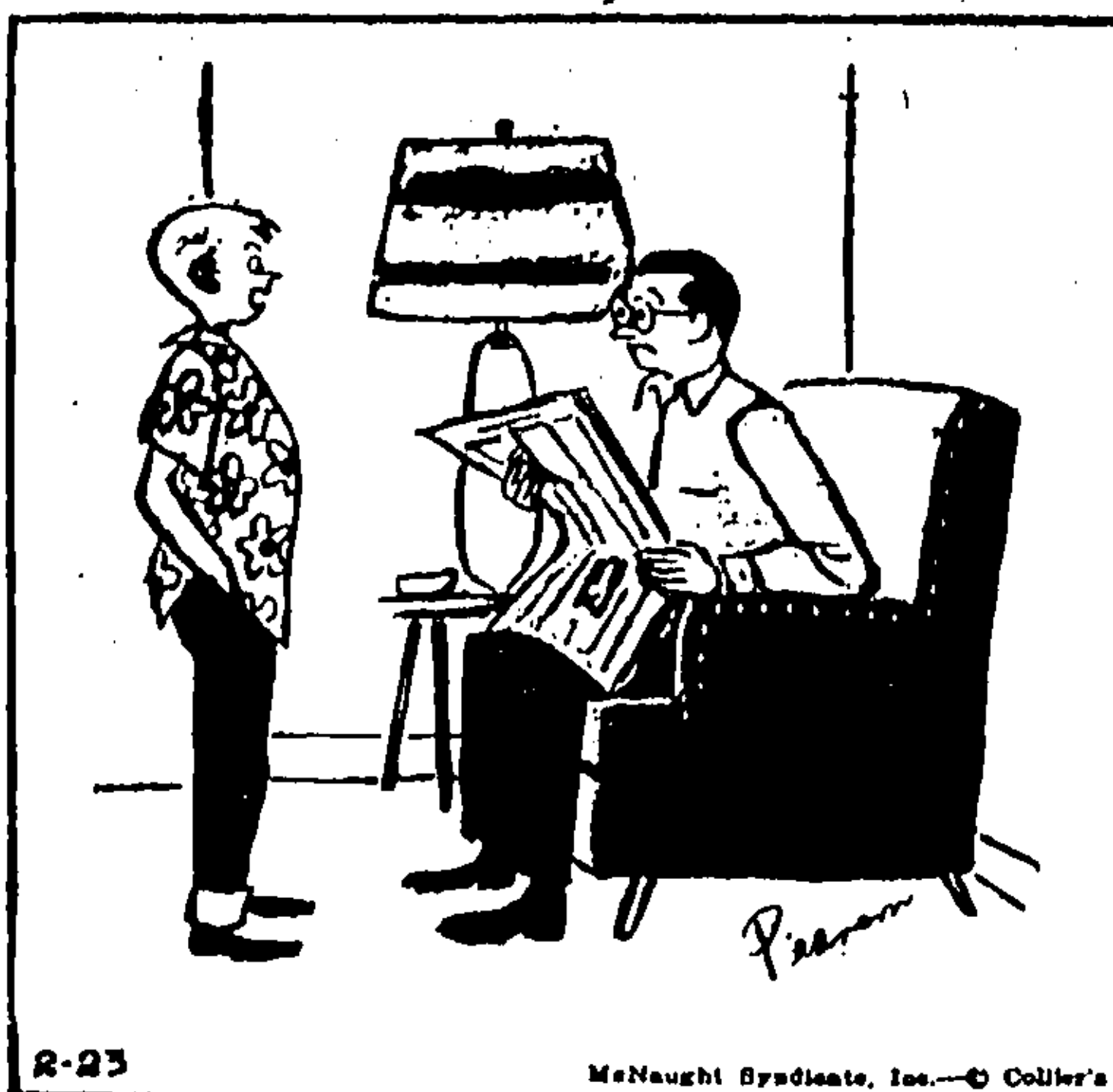
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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

I AM the man to play Tolstoy in the next amateur production of "Cossack Love".

Having left beard and whiskers and moustache grow wild while camping out with the Woodland Lore Society, I read in Woodland Leader, Mrs. Ullidge put it, "A touch of the scythe." What a luxurious forest! To take my safety razor to it would be like trying to mow a meadow with a hedge with a scythe-driver. Yet

it must be dealt with, if I have to dig the whole thing up. Later, Frühlingsrauschen! Waldwehen! A little breeze stirs the whiskers or is it a field-mouse?

A healthy reaction

I WONDERED how long it would be before anybody dared to rag a film-star. Now the French have begun it. A little boy came to her press conference, claiming to represent a children's paper. He sat next to her at lunch, ate like a horse everything they gave her, and then said, "I've another appointment," and disappeared. If even cricketers are ragged, who is safe?

Under-water opera

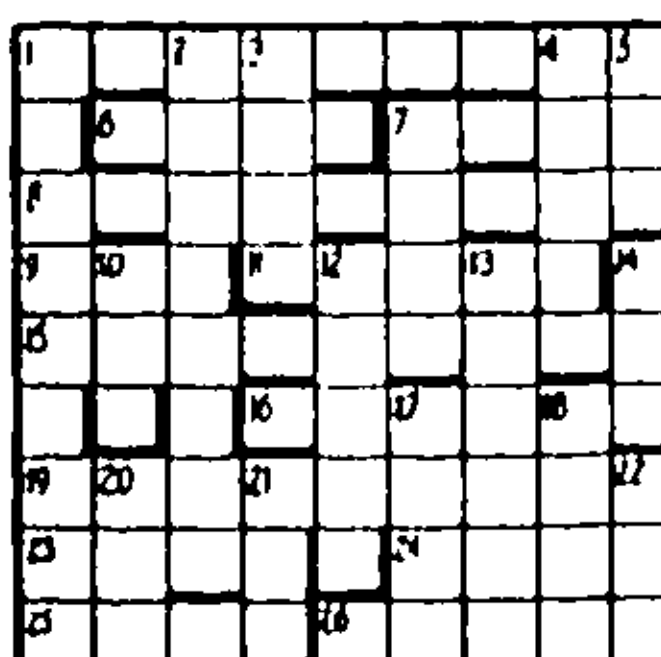
A POOL in which champion swimmers are trained has a window let into the side through which the swimmers can be watched while under water. This will not be as much fun as a visit to an aquarium, unless the visitors are allowed to prod or throw bits of food. But the window suggests that the campaign for under-water opera, which I have so long supported, is not as impracticable as it sounds.

ENTER Mrs. Rumpus. She passes slowly across the column, with a sidelong glance.

Hearts of gold

WHAT is it that makes a visit to your bank like a visit to a happy family of old friends? Is it the simple kindness of the manager's wife, who, while handing you a cocktail, offers to mend your socks? Or is it the smile of the receptionist who asks if you are quite comfortable? I heard of a lovely middle-aged orphan who was received so warmly that he decided the manager daddy, to the delight of the cashiers. Behind these massive portals is not only money, but balm for the sorrowful heart. (Adv.).

CROSSWORD



1. They get no marriage allowance. (8)
2. A laughing but an insatiable man. (8)
3. "sing" went the song. (8)
4. The Wild West show. (8)
5. The colour starts with half a terrapin. (6)
6. It's often printed on the label among others. (8)
7. Walked away. (8)
8. Don't think an armchair. (8)
9. It draws a line differently. (8)
10. He threw out the catch. (8)
11. A molehill to him. (8)
12. This coach is on the wall. (8)
13. Looked with a lot of bread and shot. (8)

1. Brain. (8)
2. It was being on this that kept Mrs. Mopp going. (8)
3. Half a laugh and a marine? (8)
4. The Wild West show. (8)
5. Look! It's a secret agent. (8)
6. Return the wild instrument. (8)
7. The winner. (8)
8. West one in. (8)
9. Mean old. (8)
10. It's a puzzle. (8)
11. It's a puzzle. (8)
12. End of the line. (8)
13. The nation takes a loss. (8)

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

BORN today, you are a rather complex combination of the home-loving individual who enjoys an active and exciting life, and the words, you want something going on all the time when it comes to your career. But when you put aside the work-a-day world, you want to be able to retreat to the quiet of a happy, contented, well-run home. You are apt to be a little impatient if things do not work out as you want them to. Cultivate the trait of patience a little more.

You are inclined to be profligate with your health and work at such high tension that you sometimes become irritable. The solution for you is a simple one. Just stop short, let down tension, rest and relax. In no time at all, your energies will have been rebuilt and you then will be ready to proceed again along the track of your main objective.

The stars have given you a number of talents. It is up to you to

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—You may need to take full responsibility for job and business decisions. Expect great care.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—You are apt to be careless about the future. You may prove more important than you first may believe.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—The full use of your intellect, causing you to proceed following a preconceived plan—those are elements of success.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—This can turn into a pleasantly social day. Have lunch with friends after a shopping tour.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—Sell yourself on an exciting project where you will have an opportunity to advance your interests.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—This can be a day in which a few pleasures on fully comfortable terms.

LIRA (Sept. 21-Oct. 21)—Your future outlook is fine. Friends and relatives contribute to your happiness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—You can defeat opposition in an open fight today. State your case and stick to it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Don't be fooled by appearances. Apply yourself to the job and you will overcome latent difficulties.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—You can defeat a feeling of uncertainty by forthright, straightforward action.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Morning hours may prove disappointing, but you can make up for it in the afternoon.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—You are self-confident and poised to meet a crisis and you will come through with banners flying.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

King Discard Sets Declarer

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE key play in today's hand took nerve and fine analysis. Put yourself in the West seat and see if you can master enough of both qualities to match C. M. Smith, of Madison, Wis., who played the West card in a recent rubber bridge game.

Smith opened the five of clubs, and South won with the nine. South led the ace of diamonds, and Smith followed suit.

If you were planning to follow suit with the nine of diamonds, give yourself a demerit. Smith had the courage to throw the king of diamonds, and so should you.

How are you going to defeat the contract if you take the king of diamonds and the two black

NORTH (D) 11			
♠ KQ	♠ 10764		
♥ A Q 10	♥ 743		
♦ K 9	♦ 108743		
♣ A Q 10532	♣ 84		
WEST			
♠ A	♠ 10764		
♥ 852	♥ 743		
♦ K 9	♦ 108743		
♣ A Q 10532	♣ 84		
EAST			
♠ 88532			
♥ A 6			
♦ K 9			
♣ 10764			
Both sides vul.			
North	East	South	West
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠ 5			

aces? Your only chance is to find a way to get your partner in, so that he can lead through declarer's clubs.

After Smith had thrown the king of diamonds, declarer was a gone goose. He led a low diamond and ducked from the dummy when West produced the nine. The attempt was futile, for East overtook with the jack of diamonds and returned his remaining club. Smith then took the rest of the clubs and the ace of spades to set the contract three tricks.

Try beating the hand if you drop the nine of diamonds at the second trick. It can't be done.

CHARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:

North: East: South: West:

2 Diamonds: Pass:

You, South, hold:

♠ K Q J 7 5 ♥ 5 4 3 ♠ 10 9 6 4

What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. This is a

skippy positive response, but the

last, no spades, no foreign words;

no proper names. T O D A Y'S

TARGET: 41 words: good; 24

words: very good; 27 words:

excellent. Solution tomorrow.

VEGETABLE SOLUTION: After

ALLEGORY, you must select a vegetable

which begins with the letter A.

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A New Fashion Line—From Men



Picture by Alan Boyd.

THE BOAT RACE—a masculine echo in a new spring fashion idea. This cotton blazer is striped in orchid pink, blue, black, and white. It could dash around the countryside with skirts—then spend the summer with shorts, jeans, a tennis dress, or a cotton sheath.—London Express Service.

GUARD BABY'S EYES NOW TO AVOID TROUBLE LATER

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

YOU can and should protect your youngster's vision right from the start.

A baby's eyes begin functioning immediately after birth, although for the first six weeks or so he can only distinguish between light and dark.

At about the age of six weeks, he'll be able to see objects and when he reaches two months he'll be able to fix his eyes on them. Usually it takes another month before he can follow moving objects with his eyes.

Even then, his eyes don't work well together and he may appear cross-eyed when he looks at an object until he reaches the age of nine months.

During infancy, be careful not to move objects close to his eyes. It may make him smile, but it will also cause him discomfort by forcing him to turn his eyes inward to see. Doing this too often could contribute to crossed eyes.

When the baby is ready to use his eyes correctly, he'll choose

the natural and safe method of studying his moving hands and feet.

When sunning the baby, or wheeling him about in his buggy, be sure you don't let the direct sunlight shine in his eyes. Don't let him look directly at the sun, either.

You should shield his eyes from glaring lights indoors, too. As the youngster grows older, there are a few other rules you should follow to protect his vision.

Make sure all his books and games have large print, and see that he has good light for all indoor activities. Outdoor play helps distant vision. Encourage it.

Don't let him develop poor posture habits such as tilting his head when he reads or plays a game, turning one eye closer to an object he is viewing, holding books or games too close to his eyes, and reading while lying with his chin in his hands supported by his elbows.

Following these few suggestions may prevent eye trouble later on.

Before he enters school, see that he has a complete eye examination. If he gives any hint of special problems, he should have one much earlier.



"Campanile," a cloche of red crocheted covered with spotted white plumes. From Rose Valois. — Agence France-Press.

SOMETHING NEW FOR SNACKS? TRY THESE DUTCH DAINTIES

By JACQUELINE WILKIE

If you are having a party and want to give your friends some attractive and appetizing dainties in the way of a snack, here are a few recipes I can recommend.

They come from Holland, and they are easy to make:

First, stab a small square of cheese (Dutch, of course) and either a slice of gherkin, a piece of preserved ginger, or a piece of pineapple, with cocktail sticks. Make hundreds of these; they go like hot cakes, and you don't even have to light the oven.

SANDWICHES

Nor do you have to for this: put a fairly thick layer of a mixture of equal quantities of butter and grated cheese (or slices of processed cheese; it was actually a Dutch girl who gave me that suggestion) in between three or four layers of rye-bread. Then cut into small squares.

The result looks most appetizing, like liquorice "club sandwiches," and if you put the

bread in a frig. for a time—about an hour—you will find it easier to cut.

SAVOURY PUFFS

Try these savoury puffs: they are the simplest ones for fillings I have found. You will need for the puffs: 4½ tablespoons water, 1 oz. butter, 1 oz. plain flour, one egg.

For the filling, if you are going to make it a Dutch one, you need either cheese-cream (grated Dutch cheese stirred up with cream to a paste consistency) or 4 oz. grated cheese and 2 oz. butter mixed.

To make the puffs, bring water and butter to the boil, move from heat and stir in flour thoroughly, making a thick paste mixture. Beat in the egg by degrees, put the mixture in small teaspoonfuls on a greased baking sheet, and bake in a hot oven for 10-15 minutes, or until "golden brown."

SHRIMP FILLINGS

Split them open at the top immediately, and fill them when they are cold with the usual cocktail fillings—cheese mixture, or mushrooms or shrimp. I haven't made Dutch truffles, but I have tasted them, and because of that I am going to tell you how to make them.

Mix grated cheese with seasoning and sufficient cream or milk to make a firm consistency. Add finely chopped celery if you like (I won't if I were you). Form into small balls and coat with chopped walnuts, crushed cornflakes or chopped parsley.

I must give you one more recipe; the sort of thing which is usually neatly referred to as a "supper snack." Spinach and poached egg is a fairly common dish, but this one is new to me: Cook spinach (plenty of it because you know how it "disappears"), chop with butter and

seasoning, and keep it hot. Tinned spinach is equally good. For the rest you will need: 2 oz. grated cheese, four eggs, four tablespoons milk, and a little butter.

SMALL OMELETTES

Make four small omelettes with the eggs, milk and butter, cover each with spinach, and roll up. Put them into a greased fireproof dish, cover with grated cheese and put in a fairly hot oven for a couple of minutes.



An afternoon dress in navy and white surah by Jean Dessas. The striking draped effect above the midriff in front and at the hips is the main feature. The small toque is in white organza.—Agence France-Press.

BUTTERFLIES IN THE BEDROOM

By JEAN WISEMAN

BATS in the belfry are something to view with suspicion—but butterflies in the bedroom are the newest craze. Martha Hyer, promising young Hollywood actress, used to collect butterflies as a child. Now she has mounted her colourful beauties and uses them to decorate her penthouse flat.

Vivid butterflies of all sizes and colours are framed in panels and boxes and cleverly hung in the bedroom, bathroom and living room. They make a wonderful foil against a background of smoky grey carpet and grasscloth walls in the living room, which is also enlivened by a "shocking pink" velvet settee. The lamp base, a Chinese vase, matches the deep blue butterflies.

In the bedroom, pink, black and white checked taffeta is used for the bedspread and matching headboard, with black and white cushions and the butterfly panels are placed over the bed. In the bathroom, hundreds of butterflies are pressed between the glass of the shower screen.

If the idea of real butterflies doesn't appeal to you, perhaps velvet and pillowcase sets printed with butterfly designs will. These are admittedly expensive, so you could compromise still further by appliqueing your own butterflies in coloured linen or cotton on to plain sheets for these dainty creatures are not difficult to draw or trace. Transfer butterflies or cut-outs can be pasted on to plain wooden pelmets, the panels of doors or on table tops under glass.

When Martha Hyer isn't busy with her butterflies, her film-making, or at the studio talent school, she is usually found in the kitchen. She has combined her living and dining rooms, and the "kitchen" is a compact area separated by a counter only. To avoid mess, she has invested in a built-in oven of stainless steel.

Martha thinks chicken dinners are especially useful. "Chicken goes much further than you think," she says, "and you can cook a delicious chicken casserole without a trace of cooking smell around when the guests arrive." Here is Martha's special recipe which serves 6-7 people.

Prepare a 4 lb. chicken, by disjointing it. Place in paper bag with ¼ teaspoon paprika, 1 teaspoon salt and ¼ cup flour. Close bag and shake well. Brown chicken in ¼ cup olive oil, or margarine. Place in glass casserole dish. Cook in the fat for 10 minutes. 1 small sliced onion, 3 or 4 stalks celery, chopped and 1 medium-sized carrot. A sliced section of garlic clove is optional.

Place vegetables in casserole. Pour over 1½ cups hot chicken stock or stock substitute. Cover dish. Bake chicken in slow oven (Regulo 3) or 325 degrees, for 1½ hours or until tender. Sauce for 5 minutes 1 cup sliced mushrooms in 2 tablespoons oil or margarine. Add to the chicken 5 minutes before it is done and ready to serve.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Tin Tells A Tall Story

—But the General Couldn't Fool the Shadows—

By MAX TRELL

GENERAL TIN, the Tin Soldier, was saying to Knarr and Hanid, the shadows with the turned-about nances: "I saw you coming back from the store a few minutes ago with a bag of apples."

Knarr and Hanid nodded.

"Mother is going to make them into apple sauce," Hanid said. Knarr added that apple sauce was much to his liking.

"I suppose you like apple sauce, too," he said to General Tin.

Fond Of Apples

"Oh yes," answered General Tin. "I'm very fond of apple sauce. And of apple pie. And of apple dumplings. And of apple fritters. But all this talk of apples makes me think of one thing."

Knarr and Hanid were curious to know what one thing apples made General Tin think of.

"They make me think of the way I used to pick apples from the apple tree that used to grow in our garden," General Tin said.

"It was many years ago. I was only a boy then. I used to get them down one-two-three. And I didn't even climb up into the tree."

A Long Stick

"I know," said Hanid. "You got a long stick and poked at them from the ground."

General Tin shook his head. "That wasn't the way I did it at all. I got them down by taking the trunk of the tree in my

hand and shaking it. All the apples would come tumbling down like rain.

"And apples weren't the only things I got down by shaking the trunk of the tree. When I wanted the watermelons that grew in our garden, I'd go right up to the watermelon tree and—"

"General Tin!" interrupted Knarr.

"Yes," said General Tin, looking surprised.

Little Bushes

"Watermelons don't grow on trees," said Knarr.

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ARMY 7, CLUB 0

MIDDLETON'S FIVE GOALS ALONE SAVED THIS GAME FROM UTTER BOREDOM

By I. M. MacTAVISH

Five goals by Middleton, the soldiers' centre-forward, highlighted as dull and uninteresting a game as will ever masquerade under the title of First Division soccer.

For a time during the opening stages the Blue and Whites made a fair challenge to the much changed Army side, but as goals started to come they went to pieces and towards the end goalkeeper Jones alone was offering any reasonable resistance. His efforts, and careful finishing by the soldiers' forwards, prevented the scoresheet from reaching double figures.

Club had a heap of pre-match worries and their patchwork line-up was really no match for the Army side from which Chalkersworth, Hogan, McInnes, Robinson, Chesterton and Dow were all missing.

Prior to the start of the game both teams and spectators observed a minute of silence as a mark of respect to "Pip" Pickering, the popular Club player, who had just suffered a family bereavement.

Early play was promising enough but after only a couple of minutes Middleton slipped through the home defence to beat Jones with a ground shot which the goalkeeper seemed to misjudge.

Club came more into the game after this and enjoyed a fair share of the play. Dunlop was the mainstay of their front rank but the other forwards did very little to worry Lewis in the Army goal.

A FAIR SHARE

Chalkers finished a neat solo effort with a fine goal to give the soldiers a two-nil lead at the interval.

After the resumption it was soon noticeable that the Club defenders were adopting very dangerous off-side tactics in an effort to frustrate the eager Army forwards but inevitably a quick pass through to Middleton caught them napping and the centre-forward cracked a fast shot into the net.

Armstrong upended McInnes as the winger running through towards the Club goal. Referee Tucker had no second thoughts about awarding a penalty kick and from the spot Middleton put his side into a four goal lead.

The Club defence had now cracked completely and Middleton scored three more goals to bring the final total to seven and he might have had at least another two but for the good work of goalkeeper Jones. Centre-half Johnson could not hold the centre-forward and was all too easily beaten on his right-hand side.

Apart from Jones, Mackie, Pritchard and Dunlop the Club side had very little to offer. While the players in Blue and White worked hard enough the vital basic skill was lacking, and the famous old club is still as

far away as ever from its first victory of the season.

MUCH TOO STRONG

The Army side was never really extended and even with all their enforced changes they were still much too strong for the opposition. Laycott, Jones and Baird all did well in their first senior outing but it was regulars like Chalkers, Mallett and McInnes who put through most of the hard work. Egerton was the best half-back afield and Middleton with his five goals gets a special mention.

Verdict: Too poor to be true but unfortunately it was.

THE TEAMS

Club: Jones, Armstrong, Mackie, Gayne, Johnson, Miller, Tomlinson, Mann, Pritchard, Blowers, Dunlop.
Army: Lewis, Laycott, Mallett, Egerton, Jones, Toffrey, Baird, Chalkers, Middleton, McMillan, McLoughlin.

WORLD TABLE TENNIS

1959 Championships Either In Berlin Or Dortmund

Tokyo, Apr. 11.—The President of the German Table Tennis Association said today that the 1959 World Table Tennis Championships would be held either in West Berlin or in Dortmund, West Germany.

Karl Eckhardt was yesterday re-elected a member of the Advisory Committee of the International Table Tennis Federation, which together with the officials constitutes the controlling body of the organization.

"We have not yet decided on the site because the Championships have just been awarded to us and there is plenty of time before the 1959 world tournament," he told United Press.

"But it will be either Berlin or Dortmund."

Mr. Eckhardt, who lives in Frankfurt-on-Main, said: "At Dortmund we have one of the largest indoor halls in Europe, with a 25,000-person capacity."

He explained that West and East Germany each had its own Table Tennis Association, but they were represented by a single body, the "Working Committee of the German Table Tennis Sport" in the International Table Tennis Association.

He said there were 40,000 registered German table tennis players, two-thirds of them in West Germany. Non-registered players would bring the total to as high as 300,000 he added.

"We also have the better players in West Germany," said Mr. Eckhardt. "The four members of the German Swaythling Cup here are all from West Germany."

He said it was "most fitting" that the 25th World Championships would be held in Germany because the ITTF was founded there.—United Press.

HOMESICK BOXER

He Couldn't Adapt Himself To American Way Of Life

Paris, Apr. 11.—Alphonse Hallin, France's homesick young Bantamweight boxing star, flew back to Paris today from New York without having fought a single bout in the United States. He said he could not adapt himself to the American way of life.

Hallin, accompanied by his manager, Philippe Filippi, went to the United States on March 17 to join his team-mate, Charles Humez (European Middleweight Champion), and Flyweight Cherif Hamla, after beating Billy Peacock of the United States, on points in Paris.

Filippi hoped that Hallin's fight in America would win him a bout against Mexico's Raul Martinez, World Bantam Champion, under the rules of the US National Boxing Association, but Hallin abandoned all his plans and decided to come home.

"He will now prepare for his forthcoming fight on French soil,"—France-Press.

Nominate YOUR

Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

- (1) Footballing prowess
- (2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the Club.

(Signed)

WALES 1, IRELAND 1

Wales And Ireland Share Honours In International Soccer

Cardiff, Apr. 11.

After leading 1-0 and then missing a penalty, Wales were held to a 1-1 draw by Ireland in their international football match at Ninian Park here tonight.

Wales, who have never beaten Ireland in five games at Ninian Park, should have made sure of victory in the first half when they dominated the game.

Their only goal netted by left-winger Roy Clarke, of Manchester City, in the tenth minute, was the result of a magnificent run by John Charles, who brought the ball from his own

Chinese Team For International Cup

At the meeting of the Hongkong Chinese Football Association, the following were selected to represent China against Scotland in the International Cup series on April 18 at the Club ground under floodlights: Tam Nai-huen (Sing Tao), Szeto Yiu (KMB), Lau Yee (Kitchee), Tang Sum (KMB), Lau Tim (KMB), Chau Man-chi (Eastern), Ho Ying-yau (Eastern), Ho Cheung-yau (South China), Chau Wing-keung (Eastern), Yiu Cheuk-yin (South China), Mok Chin-wah (South China).

Reserves:—Lau Kin-chung (South China), Lo Fak (East), Chan Chi-long (South China), Chan Fui-hung (Kitchee), Kwok Yau (Kitchee), Lau Chi-lam (Eastern), Szeto Man (KMB).

Manager:—Cheung Kam-tin; Coach:—Chu Kwok-lun.

H.K. Soccer Team Win In Singapore

Singapore, Apr. 11.—The Hongkong football team today defeated the Singapore Chinese-Malays by five goals to three.

The score at half-time was 2-2.

The home side, which was the more aggressive during most of the game, led 3-2 five minutes after the interval, but the Hongkong XI staged a fine recovery to win the match.

Top scorer for the visitors was Moses, with three goals. Ho Cheung-yau and Lau Chi-lam each scored one goal.—United Press.

HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Apr. 11.—Association Football League results today were:
DIVISION I
Manchester C. 3 Sheffield U. 1
C. Alexandra 0 Chester 0
SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION "A"
Stirling Albion 0 Motherwell 0
Clyde 1 Hearts 1
St Mirren v Raith Rovers postponed to April 22.
SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION "B"
Forfar Athletic 0 St Johnstone 1
Dundee City 0 Southampton 3
SCOTTISH LEAGUE DIVISION "A"
Partick Thistle 1 Dunfermline 1.—Reuter.

YESTERDAY'S SOFTBALL

Visiting Shangri-La Side Beaten 5-3 In Farewell Appearance

By "TIME OUT"

Playing inspired ball before a large crowd yesterday, the Combined Europeans unleashed an eight-hit barrage on Shangri-La hurler Wisdom to bring home a neat 5-3 victory, thus avenging the whitewashing the Chinese side suffered on Monday.

Winning hurler Vic Pedruco turned in a fine performance on the slab, limiting the Shangri-La sluggers to four scattered hits, to cap his second triumph against this formidable squad. It should be remembered that Vic was the winning pitcher on Sunday last, when the Shangri-La nine bowed to the Association's Selection 1-2.

Of their three-game appearance here, the final game played yesterday against Hongkong's Combined Europeans held the biggest interest as this thrilling tussle saw the lead changing hands several times before a solid triple by Hank Killen in the bottom of the seventh posted the lead over to the local quarter permanently.

Once again, the scorecard was opened by the visitors, when in the initial canto slugger Robinson lofted a towering three-bagger after two outs. Following with another long ball, first-sacker Robinson's fly bounced off the outstretched mitt of rightfielder Jerry Remedios to put Robinson across, while Robertson travelled all the way round to third. An infield out then retired the side.

INFIELD BUNGLE

The European contingent fought back valiantly in their half of the first with lead-off man Dickie Chaves obnoxious life on an infield bungle and promptly stealing second on the next pitch, but Wisdom's effectiveness rang true as Benny Omar popped while slugger Hank Killen and Tony Gutierrez stirred the breeze to leave Chaves stranded.

With the visitors' going scoreless in the second frame, the local lads drew even. After one out, fence-buster Budji Dhabar pulled off one of his "specials", a screaming liner over the right-field fence for a triple. Wisdom then dropped a neat bait to chase him across the pan. After Remedios towered to short for the second out, catcher Matteo punched a liner through the box to place two runners on, but Chaves grounded to end the inning, leaving the score at 1-1.

The fifth frame saw the visitors forging ahead again as Gallinas walked after one out, advancing on a timely single by Wisdom. With two on Phelps poled out a fly to deep right field, scoring Gallinas on the catch and Cruz popped to Pedruco for the third out.

Sewing up the ballgame again, Remedios opened the European half with a single through short, advancing when Reggie Matos got a life on a fielder's choice. Chaves sacrificed and Hank Killen's grounder saw Remedios being played at home, but Shangri-La Sasa dropped the ball on the "ing" and all hands were safe. But Benny Omar and Tony Gutierrez failed to connect and the side was retired.

Opening the seventh, Criswell drew a free ticket to first and Moore sacrificed him to second. Shortstop Gallinas then doubled to left to push Criswell over the plate. Wisdom obtained a life on an infield miscue, dying later at second on a force-out through Phelps. With two runners on, second baseman Hank Killen speared Cruz's fly for the third out.

THE NEXT PITCH

The bottom of the seventh saw the local lads forging ahead when with two on slugger Hank Killen lashed a triple to the scoreboard at centre for two runs. Reggie

QUICK TIME GOAL

Thirty seconds after the opening whistle Birfield scored against Newmans in the Birmingham Works League. Twenty seconds later Newmans had equalised and what a break goal it was too! Newmans left-half Clarke took a throw-in, landed the ball in the goalmouth where the surprised Birfield goalkeeper punched into his own net.

England Scores 18-10 Victory Over France In Rugby League Test

Bradford, Apr. 11.

Great Britain scored a worthy victory by 18 points (three goals, four tries) to ten points (two goals two tries) over France in the Rugby League Test here tonight.

The match was marred half way through the second half when Berthomien, the French forward, was sent off following a clash with one of the Great Britain players.

Great Britain possessed the better forwards, both in the pack and out, and for a long period France were felled in the middle.

France could not match the clever and strong running of the British centre, Davies and Naughton. But France, though suffering from lack of possession, often handled brightly and individually were thrustful.

The wings, Savonne and Viron, were full of good running and Benausse displayed an impressive repertoire of tricks and good kicking at stand-off half.

Strong tackling by the French held out the aggressive British until just before the interval.

Kelly made a final diagonal rush to cross the French line near the corner flag. McKewen failing at goal.

Soon after Audy, the French fullback, completely misfielded and Fox snapped up the ball to score a try between the posts. McKewen adding the points to give Britain an 8-0 half-time lead.

There had been little difference between the sides at this stage, though France were showing signs of tiring. Play was mostly in the French half after the interval.

After good work by Davies, Sullivan ran 23 yards to score. The French came back with a try by Savonne, Benausse kicking the goal.

Then Berthomien was ordered off. McKewen kicked a penalty and converted Fox's try to give Britain an 18-5 lead.

France finished spiritedly, with Levy scoring a try and Benausse adding the points.

A crowd of over 10,000 watched the match.—China Mail Special.

HOME RUGGER RESULTS

London, Apr. 11.—Rugby League results today were:
RUGBY LEAGUE CUP SEMI-FINAL REPLAY, AT WIGAN:
St Helens 10 Barrow 5 (After extra time).
OTHER RESULTS:
Salford 13 Rochdale Hornets 0. Halifax 47 York 3.—Reuter.
RUGBY UNION
Rugby Union results today were:
Sussex 4, United Hospital 19. Aberllynny 9, Pontypool 8.
Barnstaple 0, Devonport Services 5.
Glarnorgon Wanderers 11, Bridgford 3.
Newton Abbot 6, Cardiff 29. Richmond 0, Wexps 3.
Ponry 9, Ebbw Vale 9.—Reuter.

Stanton's Team Beaten By Eight Wickets

Port Of Spain, Trinidad.

E. W. Stanton's cricket team were beaten by eight wickets by a West Indies XI in a five-day match which ended here today.

Final scores: Stanton's Team 277 and 221, West Indies XI 302 and 197 for two.—Reuter.

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Members of the public are
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RUTH KIRBY,
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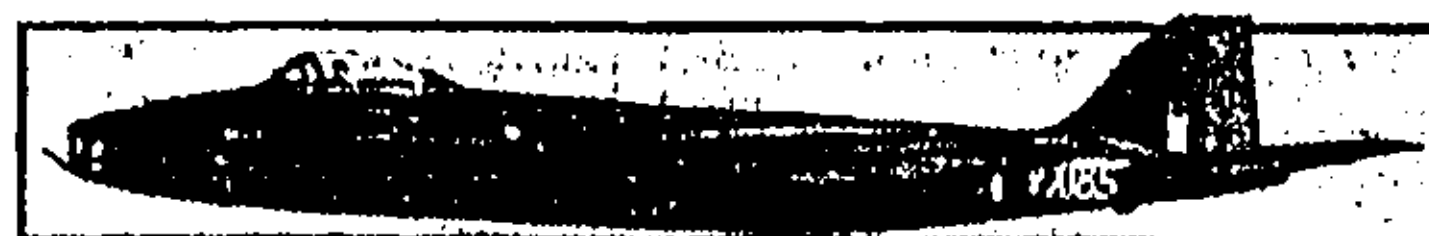
West Africans Meet Jet Age For First Time CANBERRAS CAUSE SENSATION AMONG THE TRIBES

By Ronald Batchelor

Freetown, Apr. 11.

Millions of Africans in Britain's four West African territories, Nigeria, the Gold Coast, Sierra Leone and Gambia, have recently met the jet age for the first time.

The arrival of a Royal Air Force squadron of Canberra jet bombers during the recent tour of Nigeria by Queen Elizabeth II produced a sensation among the simple tribes people of these countries probably equal to the effect of their first sight of a white man in the last century.



THEY LEFT MYSTERIOUS TRAILS

from Kano in northern Nigeria after the Queen's departure for England at the end of her tour.

Suspended In
Vacuum

The flight across French Equatorial Africa was about 1,500 miles, most of it at around 50,000 feet—the point where the sky is beginning to take on the blackish hue of a dress space and where the temperature outside the cabin is a cool minus 55 degrees Centigrade.

For 3½ hours, except for take-off and landing, we were suspended in a seemingly time-
less vacuum, gulping oxygen like fish in an aquarium.

Our speed varied between 550 and 600 miles per hour, but for all that we could tell we might have been hanging motionless above a mattress of cotton wool.

Strapped in and equipped like space-men, we had little protection but speed—the speed of the jet age which could slice us through the cold, unfriendly upper atmosphere where the sun beat down through the canopy burning the back of a hand, and frost, at the same time, formed inside the cockpit in an icy time to remind us that it was easy to get cold feet.

Condensation trails, like smoke, poured from the trailing edges of our sister planes to give the only indication of movement. We could fly slightly above these trails, hurtling along as if we were running over a silver railway track.

Local Public
Reassured

Over Freetown, our aircraft, piloted by Squadron Leader George Bastard, DFC, stayed "upstairs" while the rest of the squadron landed. We flew at 50,000 feet to produce those mysterious condensation trails—the first time they have ever been seen in this area.

The reaction on the ground, as we were to discover, was one of wonder. When we landed, we were besieged by eager Africans who wanted detailed explanations of those trails, which many of the population believed were caused by atomic rockets or Men from Mars.

Squadron Leader Bastard, the 33-year-old squadron commander, had to give an immediate Press conference to assure the local Press and public that there was no danger in these condensation trails, which are natural phenomena. It was the same everywhere the squadron flew.

But the biggest thrill for West Africa came with the high-speed flying and aerobatic demonstrations performed by the squadron at eleven towns in the four territories.

Tens of thousands gasped and cheered as the squadron flashed by at rooftop height and proceeded to carry out loops, rolls and high-speed turns which left most people's stomachs in a state of considerable agitation.

Could Earn A
Fortune

Squadron Leader Bastard, who led the squadron into battle against Communist terrorists in Malaya recently, and Flight-Lieutenant Peter Thomas, who celebrated his 30th birthday in West Africa, demon-
strated just how you can throw a Canberra around the sky like a fighter.

Their twisting, rolling, looping and vertical climbing over Lagos Harbour, for example, caused several scores of Africans to

leap into the lagoon in sheer excitement and at least a couple of others to fall off their perches in the branches of trees.

These two airmen could both probably earn themselves a considerable fortune by civilian aerobatic displays, but both declare that they would not leave the Royal Air Force "for all the gold in South Africa."

Squadron Leader Bastard left the service early in World War II. A year ago, he came to Canberra from his base at Binbrook in Lincolnshire, to breakfast in England and dining with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.S. Bastard, who farm at Nanyuki, Nairobi, the same night.

Flight-Lieutenant Thomas, who, the squadron claims, caused both the Governor and Prime Minister of the Gold Coast to duck hurriedly as he swept over their heads during the squadron's visit to Accra, lives at Wolverhampton.



The Prime Minister, Dr Kwame Nkrumah, became the first West African politician to fly in a jet during the squadron's visit.

He was taken up by Flying Officer Derek Hopkin, of Leath and Eastbourne, with Flying Officer David Brown, of Ealing, as navigator.

The Prime Minister, according to an official Royal Air Force under-statement, was "considerably impressed", as he was flung around the sky at well over 500 miles an hour.

Has Habit Of
Impressing

It will be a long time before West Africans forget No. 9 Squadron with its But insignia. The squadron has a habit of impressing people. It has been doing it ever since it was formed in December 1914 as a reconnaissance and artillery observation unit.

At the outbreak of World War II, the squadron was equipped with Wellingtons and took part in the first bombing raid of the war—the attack on German warships at Brunsbüttel. It also helped later in the war to sink the German battleship Tirpitz.—China Mail Special.

Family Of Man
Exhibition

Emperor Hirohito of Japan and US Ambassador in Tokyo John Allison, right, recently visited the "Family of Man" exhibition. This picture display of different types of human beings, produced by photographer Edward Steichen, was first held at the Museum of Modern Art in New York in 1955, since then has toured Berlin, Paris and London. The exhibition contains some 500 photographs contributed by internationally-known cameramen, is being sponsored by the Museum of Modern Art in New York, the U.S. Information Service and a Japanese newspaper.—Express Photo.

Trawlers
Arrested

Rome, Apr. 11.
Twenty Italian trawlers have been seized by a Yugoslav naval vessel and taken to Shibenik, it was learned here today.

According to radio messages the trawlers have been sent to their home ports, the arrests were made in international waters off the Yugoslav coast.

The Italian ANSA agency reported that the Italian Embassy in Belgrade had been instructed to deal with the matter.—France-Press.

20,000 Russian
Warplanes

London, Apr. 11.
Russia has an estimated 20,000 "first line" military aircraft. Parliament was told today.

The Air Secretary, Mr. Nigel Birch, said in a written reply that the Soviet Air Force was estimated at that number of modern fighting aircraft.

He said it was not in the public interest to break down the estimate into types of aircraft.

Presumably most of the "first line" aircraft are jets. The Secretary was asked how many bombers and fighters the Soviets had.—United Press.

Investigation
Into Death
Of Smuggler

Chamonix, Apr. 11.
French police inspectors are very shortly to open an investigation into the deaths of international gold-smuggler Frederic Ebel, and two Alpine guides, who died while trying to cross into Italy last weekend, it was learned tonight.

Rumours were circulating in Chamonix tonight that the three men had not died of cold but of poison.

Some pieces of biscuits, which were rumoured to have been poisoned, were found near the dead body of one of the guides, Paul Demarthal.

The post-mortem on the three corpses, however, said the men had died of exposure.

The three men perished during a mountain blizzard. After the incident, it was disclosed that Ebel was trying to flee from France into Italy and that the French police were on his tracks.—France-Press.

Communist
Boycott
In Algeria

Algiers, Apr. 11.
The Algerian Communist Party today called upon its members to join in the boycott by Algerian Moslems of French-taxed tobacco and cigarettes, amusement halls and cafes.

The party's clandestine newspaper Liberté, announcing the call, said that by observing the boycott and inducing others to follow suit, the Communists would "deal a harsh blow at the colonialist economy."

In the same issue, Liberté called upon all "fighters for freedom" in Algeria to forget their sectarian quarrels, and "unite politically and combine their armed forces to gain a speedy victory." —France-Press.

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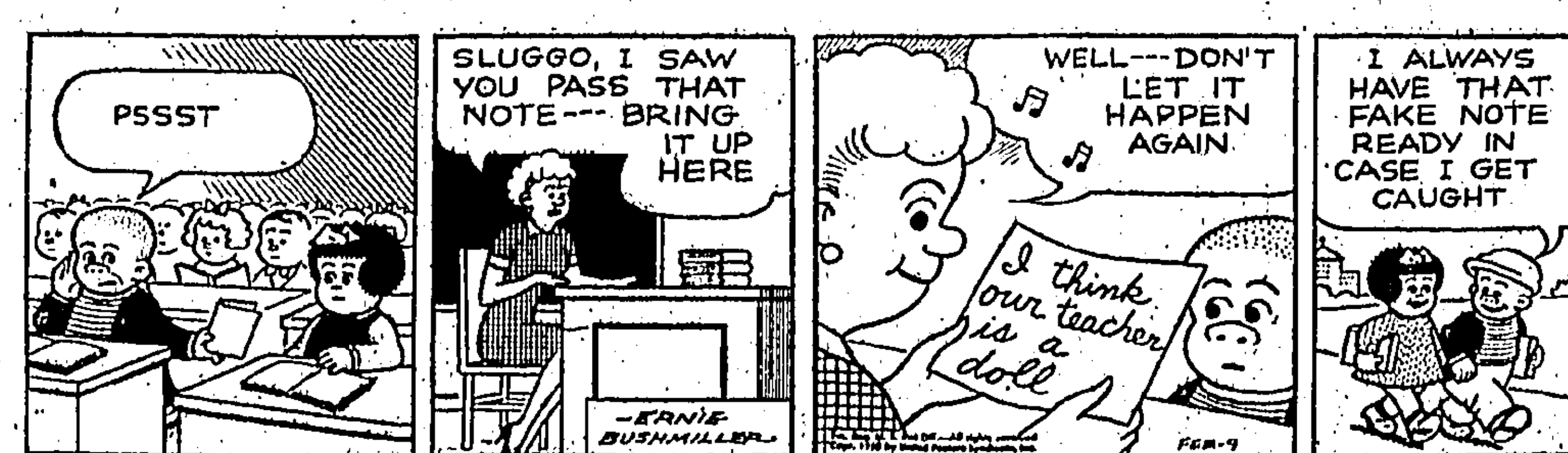
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